

**§ 115C-407.60. Administration and enforcement of high school interscholastic athletic activity rules.**

(a) The State Board of Education may enter into a memorandum of understanding for a term of four years with one or more nonprofit organizations to administer and enforce the requirements of this Article and the rules adopted by the State Board for interscholastic athletic activities at the high school level. A memorandum of understanding shall comply with the requirements of this Article. If the State Board by rule delegates the authority to establish certain rules to an administering organization, as provided in G.S. 115C-407.55, the administering organization shall not be required to comply with the requirements of Chapter 150B of the General Statutes in establishing those rules.

The State Auditor is authorized to conduct audits of any administering organization in the same manner as for State agencies in accordance with Article 5A of Chapter 147 of the General Statutes, if the State Auditor deems an audit necessary.

(b) If the State Board is unable to enter into a memorandum of understanding, the State Board shall assign the administration of high school interscholastic athletic activities to the Department of Public Instruction and establish fees sufficient to support the administration of the program. (2021-184, s. 1(a).)