

SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No. 116

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 3, 2010

The Senate Education Committee favorably reports Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 116.

This concurrent resolution requires the State Commission of Investigation to investigate the New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association (NJSIAA), which will include a comprehensive audit and thorough examination of the association's financial transactions and operations, to ensure the proper use of taxpayer dollars by the association, and to ensure that the association is operating in accordance with its authorizing legislation and other statutes applicable to the association. The investigation will also include an examination of the fairness and flexibility of the association's bylaws to determine their equitable and appropriate application to schools and student athletes. This investigation is necessary because the NJSIAA's initial refusal to comply with the provisions of State law concerning ticket prices at post-season tournaments (N.J.S.A.18A:11-3.1) has raised doubts about the integrity of the association's financial transactions and operations.

As reported by the committee, this resolution is identical to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 88 with committee amendments, which also was reported by the committee on this same date.