

**Proposed Amendment to the  
University Interscholastic League Constitution and Contest Rules**

***A. Brief Explanation of Proposed Amendment***

This proposal amends Section 1204(c)(1), Registration and Eligibility of Sports Officials, UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* in regards to criminal background checks.

***B. Factual and Policy Justifications***

The proposed amendment is in response to a new law, HB 1075, regarding criminal background checks for sports officials. The new law will require sports officials, after having an initial background check, to submit to subsequent background checks every three years, rather than annually, to maintain registration with the UIL. All currently registered sports officials would be required to undergo a subsequent background check no later than September 1, 2020.

***C. Proposed Amendment***

Section 1204(c)(1), Registration and Eligibility of Sports Officials, UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules*.

In order to officiate a UIL varsity contest a sports official must:

- (1) be registered with the UIL in the sports being officiated, and annually provide the UIL with directory information and, AS REQUIRED BY LAW, submit to a criminal background check;

***D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools***

This amendment would have no financial impact on UIL member schools.

***E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date***

If approved by the Legislative Council and the Commissioner of Education, this amendment shall be effective August 1, 2017.