

House Resolution No. 6012

By Representative McCray-Miller

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1 A RESOLUTION requiring the legislative coordinating council to
2 appoint a special committee to study a student athletic bill of rights
3 during the 2012 interim.

4 WHEREAS, Meeting student-athletes' educational needs should be a
5 priority for intercollegiate athletic programs; and

6 WHEREAS, Football and men's basketball student-athletes generate
7 large revenues for many athletic programs, spend approximately 40 hours
8 per week participating in their sport, and suffer current and historically
9 low graduation rates; and

10 WHEREAS, Providing adequate health and safety protections for
11 student-athletes can help prevent serious injury and death; and

12 WHEREAS, Student-athletes can be left to pay for medical expenses
13 incurred from injuries suffered while participating in intercollegiate
14 athletics; and

15 WHEREAS, Institutions of higher education should provide their
16 student-athletes the same due process protections afforded to students that
17 do not participate in athletics; and

18 WHEREAS, Athletic programs in this State are subject to Federal
19 Title IX requirements; and

20 WHEREAS, Institutions of higher education should not punish its
21 students for transferring to another institution of higher education: Now,
22 therefore,

23 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas:*
24 That the Legislative Coordinating Council shall appoint a special
25 committee to study during the 2012 interim the issue of enacting
26 legislation establishing a student athletes' bill of rights; and

27 *Be it further resolved:* That the Chief Clerk of the House of
28 Representatives shall send an enrolled copy of this resolution to the
29 members of the Legislative Coordinating Council.