

March 27, 2003

S 563. UNIFORM ATHLETE AGENTS ACT. TO REPEAL THE LAWS REGULATING ATHLETE AGENTS AND TO ADOPT THE UNIFORM ATHLETE AGENTS ACT. Repeals Art. 8 of GS Ch. 78C and adds new Art. 8A to GS Ch. 78C incorporating the Uniform Athlete Agents Act. At the request of the NCAA and several universities, the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws approved a Uniform Athlete Agents Act in 2000. This bill would adopt that act in North Carolina. The act requires registration of agents before contacting potential student athletes to induce signing. Certain disclosures must be made on registration and the Sec'y of State, who administers the registration system, can deny registration for past bad conduct or false information. The act specifies terms that must be included in an agency contract, requirements of notice to educational institutions after an agency contract has been entered into, the right of the student-athlete to cancel an agency contract within fourteen days after it is signed, and records that must be retained by the athlete agent. Enforcement of the act is provided for by sections that prohibit certain conduct and impose criminal and administrative penalties. The act also provides that an educational institution has civil remedies against either an athlete agent or a former student-athlete for damages caused by violation of the act.

Intro. by Hagan.

Ref. to Judiciary II	GS 78C
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April 16, 2003

S 563. UNIFORM ATHLETE AGENTS ACT. Intro. 3/27/03. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Amends GS 78C-90 to provide that certificate of registration or renewal is valid for one (was, two) years. Changes effective date of GS 78C-99 (criminal penalties) to Dec. 1, 2003.

June 18, 2003

S 563. UNIFORM ATHLETE AGENTS ACT. Intro. 3/27/03. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 2nd edition. Permits attorneys licensed and resident in NC to act as athlete agents without registering under act, as long as they do not advertise for or solicit student-athletes and do not represent more than two student-athletes. Provides that as to records the act requires that athlete agents retain for five years, any student-athlete represented by an attorney waives the attorney-client privilege.

July 10, 2003

S 563. UNIFORM ATHLETE AGENTS ACT. Intro. 3/27/03. House amendment makes the following changes to 3rd edition. Amends mandated agency contract provisions in GS 78C-94(c) by requiring that contract include warning that student "shall" (was, may) lose eligibility to compete and that cancellation of contract "shall" (was, may) not reinstate student's eligibility. Makes conforming change.

July 15, 2003

S 563. UNIFORM ATHLETE AGENTS ACT. Intro. 3/27/03. House amendments make the following changes to 3rd edition. Add provisions that waiver of attorney-client privilege in the form contract does not affect privileges between client and attorney when the attorney is not an athlete agent.

August 8, 2003

SL 2003-375 (S 563). UNIFORM ATHLETE AGENTS ACT. AN ACT TO REPEAL THE LAWS REGULATING ATHLETE AGENTS AND TO ADOPT THE UNIFORM ATHLETE AGENTS ACT. Summarized in *Daily Bulletin* 3/27/03, 4/16/03, 6/18/03, 7/10/03, and 7/15/03. Enacted August 1, 2003. GS 78C-99 is effective December 1, 2003. The remainder of this act is effective August 1, 2003.