

South Carolina Band Directors Association

CLARIFICATIONS ON S.302

- 1. Allows districts to decide whether they want to let the Marching band course count as the physical education course required for graduation.
- 2. This bill has nothing to do with health class requirements, CPR requirements, or comprehensive health instruction. If they are currently required for graduation, they will still be required and the district will decide how to address those requirements.
- 3. We already allow a substitution for physical education with the JROTC course. We are only asking that districts be given the opportunity to make a similar decision with marching band course. Marching bands are already meeting all 5 PE standards.
- 4. Interscholastic sports are extra-curricular activities, marching band is a class that receives a credit exactly like ROTC
- 5. 21 states already allow this to take place.

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