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### **Prefatory Note**

Intercollegiate sports have grown into a billion dollar industry, with massive television deals, multi-million dollar coaching contracts, extravagant facilities, and lucrative commercial licensing agreements. At the same time, there has been massive growth over the last several years in the opportunities for individuals to monetize the use of their name, image, or likeness. Although the traditional models of licensing name, image, or likeness through broadcast and media are still lucrative options for high-end celebrities and athletes, social media channels have created potential opportunities for a much broader set of individuals and created "social influencers" who are able to effectively reach mobile and social media audiences. Many of these influencers are college or high school students. Studies estimate that within five years—as key demographics continue to consume more of their content through social media channels rather than television—brands will spend between \$5 and \$10 billion globally on social influencer marketing per year. See mediakix.com/blog/influencer-marketing-industry-ad-spend-chart.

Despite the rapid escalation of the commercialization of intercollegiate sports and the increased opportunities for monetization of celebrity name, image, or likeness, the benefits provided to college athletes remain relatively limited and restricted by National College Athletic Association and other governing body rules. In an attempt to modernize the rules and provide greater rights for college athletes, more than 40 states have introduced or enacted legislation that would permit college athletes to received compensation from third parties for the use of their name, image, or likeness. Several members of Congress have also introduced federal name, image or likeness legislation. As of June 18, 2021, 19 states have enacted name, image, or likeness laws and 6 of those laws will take effect July 1, 2021, or sooner. Several additional states are expected to enact similar laws that will take effect in 2021. In April 2020, the National College Athletic Association (NCAA) Board of Governors approved a framework that would permit college athletes to receive compensation for their name, image, or likeness from third parties.

The lack of uniformity in the state laws presents significant challenges for the NCAA and other athletic associations. The importance of having a uniform set of rules governing intercollegiate athletic competitions is well established, as is the notion that intercollegiate athletic associations cannot effectively function as a national association of college sports if it is required to adopt conflicting or inconsistent rules from different states. The proliferation of inconsistent state laws also highlighted the risk of instability for the NCAA and other intercollegiate governing bodies. Even if the NCAA were to modify its rules to conform with the most permissive state law, a modification to an existing state law or the enactment of a new state law could dramatically change the name, image, or likeness rules by which institutions can compete and operate. Given the interdependence of the institutions across the country, the impact of a change in one state's laws could have a ripple effect on schools in other states and the entire NCAA or intercollegiate athletic association. A uniform law across all states would prevent this instability and ensure that schools in each state are playing under the same general rules.

 The ULC agreed to draft a uniform act regarding college athlete name, image, or likeness compensation issues. The Drafting Committee met several times and received valuable input

from athlete agents, current and former college athletes, coaches, college athletic department administrators, representatives of the players associations of the National Football League, the National Hockey League, the NCAA, the National Federation of High Schools, the NAIA, and other stakeholders.

 Many of the provisions in the Uniform College Athlete Name, Image, or Likeness Act are similar to provisions found in existing state name, image, or likeness laws. Like many of the individual state laws, the act creates a set of rules and restrictions to ensure that college athletes can benefit from the use of their name, image, or likeness without hurting their eligibility to compete as a college athlete and strikes a balance between providing more rights to college athletes while maintaining the integrity of intercollegiate sports. The Uniform Act provides (1) a mechanism for permitting college athletes to receive compensation for their NIL rights; (2) parameters on the types of activity athletes can engage in to protect institutions; (3) parameters on the compensation athletes can receive to protect college athletes and institutions from misuse or abuse of NIL deals; (4) limitations on institution, conference, and athletic association involvement; (5) a disclosure requirement for college athletes; (6) a mechanism for certifying and regulating agents; (7) a mechanism for certifying and regulating third parties who provide compensation to college athletes for the use of their name, image, or likeness; (8) a right of action for college athletes if their NIL rights are violated; (9) civil penalties for violations of the act.

1	<b>Uniform College Athlete Name, Image or Likeness Act</b>
2	Section 1. Title
3	This [act] may be cited as the Uniform College Athlete Name, Image, or Likeness Act.
4	Section 2. Definitions
5	In this [act]:
6	(1) "Athletic association" means a nonprofit intercollegiate sport governance
7	association that regulates the eligibility of players and institutions to compete.
8	(2) "College athlete" means an individual who is eligible to attend an institution
9	and engages in or is eligible to engage in an intercollegiate sport. The term does not include an
10	individual in school from kindergarten to grade 12 or an individual permanently ineligible to
11	participate in a particular intercollegiate sport for that sport.
12	(3) "Conference" means a person, other than an athletic association, that governs
13	the athletic programs of more than one institution.
14	(4) "Group license" means a name, image, or likeness agreement that includes the
15	name, image, or likeness of more than one college athlete.
16	(5) "Inducement" means attempt to influence the decision of a college athlete to
17	attend, continue attending, or transfer to an institution or conference.
18	(6) "Institution" means a public or private institution of higher education in this
19	state, including a community college, junior college, college, and university.
20	(7) "Intercollegiate sport" means a sport played at the collegiate level for which
21	eligibility requirements for participation by a college athlete are established by an athletic
22	association. The term does not include a recreational, intramural, or club sport.
23	(8) "Name, image, or likeness" includes the college athlete's nickname, signature

1	social media account, and any other symbol, name, or design that readily identifies the athlete.
2	(9) "Name, image, or likeness activity" means licensing or other commercial use
3	of a name, image, or likeness.
4	(10) "Name, image, or likeness agent" means an individual who:
5	(A) directly or indirectly recruits or solicits a college athlete or, if the
6	athlete is a minor, the athlete's parent or [guardian], to enter into an agency contract or name,
7	image, or likeness agreement;
8	(B) enters into an agency contract with an athlete or, if the athlete is a
9	minor, the athlete's parent or [guardian]; or
10	(C) directly or indirectly offers, promises, attempts, or negotiates to obtain
11	name, image, or likeness compensation or a name, image, or likeness agreement.
12	(11) "Name, image, or likeness agreement" means a written, oral, express, or
13	implied agreement under which a third party provides name, image, or likeness compensation.
14	(12) "Name, image, or likeness compensation" means money or other thing of
15	value provided by a third party in exchange for use of a college athlete's name, image, or
16	likeness.
17	(13) "Person" means an individual, estate, business or nonprofit entity, public
18	corporation, government or governmental subdivision, agency, or instrumentality, or other legal
19	entity.
20	(14) "Record" means information:
21	(A) inscribed on a tangible medium; or
22	(B) stored in an electronic or other medium and retrievable in perceivable
23	form.

1	(15) "State" means a state of the United States, the District of Columbia, Puerto
2	Rico, the United States Virgin Islands, or any other territory or possession subject to the
3	jurisdiction of the United States.
4	(16) "Student" means an individual enrolled at an institution under the rules of the
5	institution.
6	(17) "Third party" means a person, other than an institution, that offers, solicits,
7	or enters into a name, image, or likeness agreement or offers or provides name, image, or
8	likeness compensation.
9 10 11	<b>Legislative Note:</b> If a state uses a different term to describe the relationship of guardian, the bracketed term "guardian" in paragraph (10) should be changed to the term used.
12	Comment
13 14 15 16 17 18 19	The definition of name, image, or likeness compensation does not include a scholarship, grant, fellowship, tuition assistance, or other forms of financial aid related to educational expenses.  The definition of name, image, or likeness agent in Section 2(10)(c) does not include a college athlete who directly or indirectly offers, promises, attempts, or negotiates to obtain name image, or likeness compensation or a name, image, or likeness agreement for or on behalf of themselves.
20 21	Section 3. Scope
22	(a) This [act] applies only to college athletes and intercollegiate sports.
23	(b) This [act] does not apply to an individual participating in a sport in grades
24	kindergarten to grade 12 or at a youth, preparatory school, recreation, intramural, club, or similar
25	level.
26	[(c) This [act] does not apply to a United States service academy or other institution
27	subject to similar federal regulation that prohibits name, image, or likeness compensation.]
28	(d) This [act] does not create an employment relationship between a college athlete and
29	the athlete's institution with respect to the athlete's participation in an intercollegiate sport. This

1	[act] may not be used as a factor in determining whether an employment relationship exists.
2 3 4	<b>Legislative Note:</b> Subsection (c) should be included in a state that has a United States service academy or other institution subject to federal regulation that conflicts with this act.
5	Section 4. Rulemaking Authority
6	The [agency responsible for implementing and administering the Uniform Athlete Agents
7	Act, Revised Uniform Athlete Agents Act, or comparable law, or other appropriate agency] may
8	adopt rules under [cite to state administrative procedure act] to implement and administer this
9	[act].
10	Section 5. Name, Image, or Likeness Compensation; Limit on Institution,
11	Conference, and Athletic Association
12	(a) Except as provided in Section 6, a college athlete may receive name, image, or
13	likeness compensation, or transfer the authority to use the athlete's name, image, or likeness
14	commercially, to the extent permitted under other law of this state. This [act] applies to a person
15	who has received the authority to use an athlete's name, image, or likeness commercially to the
16	same extent as it applies to the athlete. This [act] does not diminish, enlarge, or modify the right
17	of publicity or related rights provided by other law of this state.
18	(b) Except as provided in Section 6:
19	(1) an institution, conference, or athletic association may not prevent or restrict a
20	college athlete from:
21	(A) receiving name, image, or likeness compensation, entering into a name,
22	image, or likeness agreement, engaging in name, image, or likeness activity, or obtaining the
23	services of a name, image, or likeness agent; or
24	(B) creating or participating in a group license or interfere with the
25	formation or recognition of a collective representative to facilitate or provide representation to

1	negotiate a group license;
2	(2) an athletic association may not prevent or restrict an institution or college
3	athlete from participating in an intercollegiate sport because the athlete receives name, image, or
4	likeness compensation, enters into a name, image or likeness agreement, engages in name,
5	image, or likeness activity, or obtains the services of a name, image, or likeness agent; and
6	(3) an institution may not consider name, image, or likeness compensation to
7	determine a college athlete's eligibility for or amount of an athletic scholarship.
8	Section 6. Limit on Name, Image, or Likeness Compensation and Activity
9	(a) A college athlete may not include in name, image, or likeness activity an institution,
10	conference, or athletic association name, trademark, service mark, logo, uniform design, or other
11	identifier of athletic performance depicted or included in a media broadcast or related game
12	footage unless the use is permitted under intellectual property law.
13	(b) Name, image, or likeness compensation or an offer, promise, or solicitation of
14	compensation:
15	(1) may not be an inducement;
16	(2) must represent only consideration for use of the athlete's name, image, or
17	likeness; and
18	(3) may not include compensation for performance, participation, or service in an
19	intercollegiate sport.
20	(c) A college athlete may not express or imply that an institution, conference, or athletic
21	association endorses or is otherwise affiliated with the athlete's name, image, or likeness activity
22	(d) An institution may adopt a policy to prevent a college athlete from engaging in name,
23	image, or likeness activity that is illegal or that is determined by the institution to have an

1 adverse impact on its reputation, if the institution complies with the same policy with respect to 2 the institution's sponsorships and similar commercial activity and relationships. An institution 3 that adopts a policy under this subsection shall disclose the policy and its rationale in a record to 4 the athlete and the athlete's name, image, or likeness agent. 5 (e) An institution may adopt and enforce rules of conduct relating to name, image, or 6 likeness activity that apply when the college athlete is engaged in an official team activity, 7 including a competition, practice, supervised workout, community service, or other activity, at 8 the direction of, or supervised by, a member of the institution's coaching or sport staff. 9 (f) An institution, conference, or athletic association may require a college athlete to 10 waive a name, image, or likeness right associated with promotion, display, broadcast, or 11 rebroadcast of an intercollegiate sport.

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Sections 6(a) and 6(c) are intended to be consistent with intellectual property law and do not permit an athlete to include in name, image, or likeness activity an institution, conference, or athletic association name, trademark, service mark, logo, uniform design, or other identifier of athletic performance depicted or included in a media broadcast or related game footage if the use is likely to cause confusion about the affiliation, connection, or relationship with the activity, or imply sponsorship or endorsement of the activity by, the institution, conference or association, or is otherwise prohibited under intellectual property law.

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Section 6(d) is intended to prevent an institution from prohibiting a college athlete from engaging in name, image, or likeness activity with a third party or a category of third parties (e.g., sports gambling) if the institution engages in any sponsorship or endorsement activity with that third party or category of third parties.

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### Section 7. Institution, Conference, and Athletic Association Involvement

- (a) An institution, conference, or athletic association may:
- 29 (1) assist a college athlete:
- 30 (A) in evaluating the permissibility of name, image, or likeness activity,
- 31 including compliance with law and institution, conference, and association rules;

1	(B) with the disclosure requirements of Section 8; and
2	(C) in providing a good-faith evaluation of a name, image, or likeness
3	agent or third party; and
4	(2) educate a college athlete about name, image, or likeness compensation,
5	agreements, and activity.
6	(b) An institution may permit a college athlete to use the institution's facilities for name,
7	image, or likeness activity under the same terms and conditions as other students at the
8	institution.
9	(c) Except as provided in subsection (a), an institution or conference and its employees,
10	agents, and independent contractors may not:
11	(1) provide compensation to a college athlete for the athlete's name, image, or
12	likeness;
13	(2) assist, identify, arrange, facilitate, develop, operate, secure, or promote name,
14	image, or likeness activity;
15	(3) assist with selecting, arranging, or providing payment to a name, image, or
16	likeness agent;
17	(4) assist with selecting, arranging, or collecting payment from a third party;
18	(5) except as provided in Section 6(a), permit a college athlete to use the
19	intellectual property of the institution, conference, or athletic association in name, image, or
20	likeness activity; or
21	(6) use, license, or otherwise convey a college athlete's name, image, or likeness
22	for a commercial purpose except as provided in Section 6(c) or permitted by other law.
23	Section 8. Required Disclosures

1	(a) A college athlete shall provide to the individual or office designated under subsection
2	(b):
3	(1) a copy of a name, image, or likeness agreement that provides name, image, or
4	likeness compensation in an amount more than \$[300], or, if a record of the agreement does not
5	exist, the amount of name, image, or likeness compensation provided or to be provided if the
6	amount is more than \$[300];
7	(2) the amount of name, image, or likeness compensation provided if the
8	aggregate amount is more than \$[2,000] in a calendar year and a copy of each name, image, or
9	likeness agreement if a record of the agreement exists;
10	(3) for each agreement or amount that must be provided:
11	(A) the arrangement for providing compensation;
12	(B) the amount of compensation;
13	(C) the identity of and a description of the relationship with the third
14	party;
15	(D) the activity required or authorized; and
16	(E) if the athlete is represented by a name, image, or likeness agent, the
17	name of and a description of the agreement with the agent;
18	(4) a copy of each agreement entered into by the athlete with a name, image, or
19	likeness agent; and
20	(5) other information required by the [agency designated in Section 4].
21	(b) An institution shall designate an individual or office to receive the information
22	required by subsections (a) and (e).
23	(c) A college athlete shall provide:

1	(1) the information required by subsection (a) before the earlier of:
2	(A) receiving name, image, or likeness compensation required to be
3	disclosed; or
4	(B) engaging in a name, image, or likeness activity required to be
5	disclosed; and
6	(2) an update after a change in any of the information not later than [10] days after
7	the earlier of the change or the next scheduled athletic event in which the student athlete may
8	participate.
9	(d) If an institution, conference, or athletic association voluntarily or as required by this
10	[act] adopts a limitation affecting a college athlete's ability to engage in name, image, or likeness
11	activity, the institution shall provide in a record a copy of the limitation to each athlete by the
12	time an offer of admission or financial aid is made, whichever is earlier, or, if the limitation is
13	not adopted until after the athlete is a student at the institution, as soon as practicable after
14	adoption.
15	(e) When a name, image, or likeness agreement is entered into, a certification that the
16	agreement is the sole, complete, and final agreement between the parties must be filed with the
17	individual or office designated in subsection (b) by:
18	(1) the college athlete, or, if the athlete is a minor, the parent or [guardian] of the
19	minor:
20	(2) the third party; and
21	(3) if a name, image, or likeness agent assisted with the agreement, the agent.
22 23	Comment
24 25	A college athlete would be required to disclose to a designated third party under Section 8(a) if a third party is designated by the institution, conference, association, or pursuant to federal

1 2 3	law. Disclosures made under this section must be made available to the Secretary of State or designated state agency or representative for inspection or review.
4	Section 9. Name, Image, or Likeness Agent; Duties; Registration
5	(a) A name, image, or likeness agent shall register in this state as an athlete agent under
6	[cite to Uniform Athlete Agents Act or Revised Uniform Athlete Agents Act or other comparable
7	law] before engaging in conduct under this [act].
8	(b) An institution, conference, or athletic association may not prevent or restrict a college
9	athlete from obtaining the services of a name, image, or likeness agent.
10	[(c) An agreement between a college athlete and a name, image, or likeness agent must
11	have a fee arrangement consistent with the customary practice of the agent's industry and
12	otherwise in compliance with [cite to Uniform Athlete Agents Act or Revised Uniform Athlete
13	Agents Act or other comparable law]].
14 15	Legislative Note: In subsections (a) and (c), cite to the state's version of the uniform act or other comparable state law.
16 17 18	A state should include subsection (c) if it wants to permit oversight of fee arrangements between college athletes and name, image, or likeness agents.
19 20	Comment
21 22 23	Section 9(c) prevents a name, image, or likeness agent from charging a fee to a college athlete that is higher than the fee typically charged by agents for similar work.
<ul><li>24</li><li>25</li></ul>	[Section 10. Third Party; Registration; Voidable Contract
26	(a) A person shall register as a third party if in a calendar year the person provides or
27	agrees to provide:
28	(1) more than \$[300] for a name, image, or likeness agreement; or
29	(2) more than \$[2,000] in the aggregate to college athletes for name, image, and
30	likeness agreements.

1	(b) A third party shall provide to the individual or office designated under Section 8(b)
2	the name, image, or likeness compensation and agreements described in subsection (a).
3	(c) A college athlete or, if the athlete is a minor, the parent or [guardian] of the athlete,
4	may void a name, image, or likeness agreement with a third party if the party fails to comply
5	with subsection (a) or (b).]
6 7	<b>Legislative Note:</b> A state should adopt Sections 10 through 15 if it decides to require registration of third parties.
8 9	[Section 11. Registration as Third Party; Application
10	(a) A person applying for registration as a third party shall submit an application for
11	registration to the [insert name of agency designated in Section 4] in a form prescribed by the
12	[insert name of agency designated in Section 4]. The application must be signed by an authorized
13	representative of the applicant under penalty of perjury and include:
14	(1) the name and contact information of the applicant, including telephone
15	number, email address, and, if available, a website address;
16	(2) the address of the applicant's principal place of business;
17	(3) each social-media account with which the applicant is affiliated;
18	(4) a brief description of the type of business and business activity of the
19	applicant;
20	(5) the name and address of each person that is a partner, member, officer,
21	manager, associate, or entitled to share profits, or directly or indirectly holds an equity interest of
22	at least [five] percent in the applicant;
23	(6) whether the applicant or a person named under paragraph (5) has been a
24	defendant in a criminal proceeding or respondent in a civil proceeding and, if so, the date and a
25	brief explanation of each proceeding;

1	(/) whether the applicant or a person named under paragraph (3) has been
2	adjudicated as bankrupt or has declared bankruptcy;
3	(8) whether conduct of the applicant or a person named under paragraph (5) has
4	caused a college athlete to be sanctioned, suspended, or declared ineligible to participate in an
5	intercollegiate sport or an institution to be sanctioned;
6	(9) whether an application to be a third party by the applicant or a person named
7	under paragraph (5) has been denied, suspended, abandoned, or not renewed;
8	(10) each state in which the applicant is currently registered or has applied to be
9	registered as a third party; and
10	(11) other information required by [insert name of agency designated in Section
11	4].
12	(b) Instead of proceeding under subsection (a), a person registered as a third party in
13	another state may apply for registration as a third party in this state by submitting to the [insert
14	name of agency designated in Section 4]:
15	(1) a copy of the application for registration in the other state;
16	(2) a statement that identifies any material change in the information on the
17	application or verifies there is no material change in the information, signed under penalty of
18	perjury; and
19	(3) a copy of the certificate of registration from the other state.
20	(c) The [insert name of agency designated under Section 4] shall issue a certificate of
21	registration to an individual who applies for registration under subsection (b) if the [insert name
22	of agency designated under Section 4] determines:
23	(1) the application and registration requirements of the other state are

1	substantially similar to or more restrictive than this [act]; and
2	(2) the registration has not been revoked or suspended and no action involving the
3	individual's conduct as a third party is pending against the person or the person's registration in
4	any state.
5	(d) In implementing subsection (c), the [insert name of agency designated in Section 4]
6	shall:
7	(1) cooperate with agencies in other states that register third parties to develop a
8	common registration form;
9	(2) determine which states have laws that are substantially similar or more
10	restrictive than this [act]; and
11	(3) exchange information, including information related to actions taken against
12	third parties or their registrations, with those agencies.]
13	[Section 12. Third-Party Certificate of Registration
14	(a) Except as provided in subsection (b), the [insert name of agency designated in Section
15	4] shall issue a certificate of registration to a person that applies for registration under and
16	complies with Section 11.
17	(b) The [insert name of agency designated in Section 4] may refuse to issue a certificate
18	of registration to an applicant under Section 11 if the [insert name of agency designated in
19	Section 4] determines that the applicant has engaged in conduct that has a significant adverse
20	impact on the reputation of a college athlete or the athlete's institution, conference, or athletic
21	association. In making the determination, the [insert name of agency designated in Section 4]
22	shall consider whether the applicant has:
23	(1) pleaded guilty or no contest to, has been convicted of, or has charges pending

1	for a crime that, if committed in this state, would involve moral turpitude or be a felony;
2	(2) made a materially false, misleading, deceptive, or fraudulent representation in
3	the application or as a third party;
4	(3) engaged in conduct prohibited by Section 16;
5	(4) engaged in conduct resulting in imposition of a sanction on an institution or a
6	sanction, suspension, or declaration of ineligibility to participate in an intercollegiate sport on a
7	college athlete; or
8	(5) engaged in conduct that reflects adversely on the applicant's credibility,
9	honesty, or integrity.
10	(c) A third party registered under subsection (a) may apply to renew the registration by
11	submitting an application for renewal in a form prescribed by the [insert name of agency
12	designated in Section 4]. The application must be signed by an authorized representative of the
13	applicant under penalty of perjury and include current information on all matters required in an
14	original application for registration.]
15	[Section 13. Limitation, Suspension, Revocation, or Nonrenewal of Third-Party
16	Registration
17	The [insert name of agency designated in Section 4] may suspend, revoke, or refuse to
18	renew registration of a third party registered for a reason that would justify refusal to issue a
19	certificate of registration under Section 12(b).]
20	[Section 14. Temporary Registration of Third Party
21	The [insert name of agency designated in Section 4] may issue a temporary certificate of
22	registration as a third party while an application for registration or renewal of registration is
23	pending.]

1	[Section 15. Third Party Registration and Renewal Fees
2	(a) An application for registration or renewal of registration as a third party must be
3	accompanied by a fee of:
4	(1) \$[200] for an initial application for registration;
5	(2) \$[100] for registration based on a certificate of registration issued by another
6	state;
7	(3) \$[50] for an application for renewal of registration; or
8	(4) \$[25] for renewal of registration based on a renewal of registration in another
9	state.]
10	(b) The [insert name of agency designated in Section 4] may establish or modify the fees
11	under Section 4 of this [act].]
12	Section 16. Third Party Prohibited Conduct
13	A third party may not intentionally:
14	(1) give materially false or misleading information or make a materially false
15	promise or representation with the intent to influence a college athlete, parent or [guardian], or
16	another person to enter into a name, image, or likeness agreement, receive name, image, or
17	likeness compensation, or engage in name, image, or likeness activity;
18	(2) provide anything of value to a college athlete or another person except as
19	permitted under this [act], if to do so may result in loss of the athlete's eligibility to participate in
20	the athlete's sport; [or]
21	(3) predate or postdate a name, image, or likeness agreement[.][;]
22	[(4) unless registered under this [act], initiate contact, directly or indirectly, with a
23	college athlete or, if the athlete is a minor, a parent [or guardian] of the athlete, to recruit or

1	solicit the athlete, parent, or [guardian] to enter a name, image, or likeness agreement, receive
2	name, image, or likeness compensation, or engage in name, image, or likeness activity;
3	(5) fail to apply for registration under Section 11; or
4	(6) provide materially false or misleading information in an application for
5	registration or renewal of registration.]
6 7 8 9	Legislative Note: A state should include the bracketed language in paragraphs paragraphs (4) through (6) only if the state includes optional Sections 11 through 15 that provide for third-party registration.
10	Section 17. Civil Remedy
11	(a) An institution or college athlete has a cause of action for damages against a name,
12	image, or likeness agent or third party if the institution or athlete is adversely affected by an act
13	or omission of the agent or third party in violation of this [act]. An institution or athlete is
14	adversely affected by an act or omission of the agent or third party only if, because of the act or
15	omission, the institution or athlete:
16	(1) is suspended or disqualified from participating in an intercollegiate sport; or
17	(2) suffers financial damage.
18	(b) A college athlete has a cause of action under this section only if the athlete was a
19	student at an institution at the time of the act or omission.
20	(c) In an action under this section, a prevailing plaintiff may recover [actual] [treble]
21	damages[, punitive damages,] and reasonable attorney's fees, court costs, and other reasonable
22	litigation expenses.
23	[(d) A violation of this [act] is a violation of and enforceable under [cite to state
24	consumer protection or unfair trade practice law].]
25 26	Legislative Note: A state that permits amendment by reference and has an unfair trade practice or consumer protection law that provides for civil enforcement by a state agency or person,

including a competitor, should replace the bracketed language in subsection (d) with the name of 1 2 the state agency or person. A state that has an unfair trade practice or consumer protection law 3 but does not permit amendment by reference should delete subsection (d) and make appropriate 4 amendments to its unfair trade practice or consumer protection law. A state that does not have 5 an unfair trade practice or consumer protection law should delete subsection (d) and substitute 6 language providing for civil enforcement by a state agency, affected member of the public, or a 7 competitor. 8 9 Comment 10 11 This Section does not preclude an individual from bringing other causes of action that might 12 arise independently from this [act], including, but not limited to, a claim for breach of contract or 13 a violation of intellectual property rights. 14 **Section 18. Civil Penalty** 15 16 The [Attorney General] [and] [insert name of the agency designated in Section 4] may 17 assess a civil penalty against a name, image, or likeness agent or third party not to exceed 18 \$[50,000] for a violation of this [act]. 19 Legislative Note: A state may authorize the Attorney General or another state official, or the 20 agency designated in Section 4, or both to enforce this section. 21 22 Section 19. Uniformity of Application and Construction 23 In applying and construing this uniform act, a court shall consider the promotion of 24 uniformity of the law among jurisdictions that enact it. 25 Section 20. Relation to Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act 26 This [act] modifies, limits, or supersedes the Electronic Signatures in Global and National 27 Commerce Act, 15 U.S.C. Section 7001 et seq.[, as amended], but does not modify, limit, or 28 supersede 15 U.S.C. Section 7001(c), or authorize electronic delivery of any of the notices 29 described in 15 U.S.C. Section 7003(b). 30 **Legislative Note:** It is the intent of this act to incorporate future amendments to the cited federal law. A state in which the constitution or other law does not permit incorporation of future 31 32 amendments when a federal statute is incorporated into state law should omit the phrase, "as 33 amended". A state in which, in the absence of a legislative declaration, future amendments are 34 incorporated into state law also should omit the phrase.

1	[Section 21. Severability
2	If a provision of this [act] or its application to a person or circumstance is held invalid,
3	the invalidity does not affect another provision or application that can be given effect without the
4	invalid provision.]
5 6 7	Legislative Note: Include this section only if the state lacks a general severability statute or a decision by the highest court of the state adopting a general rule of severability.
8	Section 22. Effective Date
9	This [act] takes effect