



Statement of Support from the PAC12 Student Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC)

Dear Esteemed members of the Education and Workforce Committee,

My name is Jennifer McMillan, and I am a representative of the student-athletes for the PAC12 Conference at the Division I level. The PAC12 has a rich history of producing olympians and elite student athletes across many states, with their current focus being Washington and Oregon.

We at the PAC12 wholeheartedly support the Student Compensation and Opportunity through Rights and Endorsements Act (SCORE Act) as a critical step in protecting student-athletes' rights, opportunities, and well-being. As a student-athlete, I've experienced firsthand the impact that my coaches and staff have had. Not only are they leaders in the gym but they have been role models, mentors, and, in many cases, second parents. It is beyond evident the impact that the staff and coaches have on the athletes, and having these influences in our lives has been paramount to our success on and off the floor. Ensuring this type of relationship remains is crucial to the student-athlete experience. It's about having mentors who guide us, not just direct us, helping us balance the demands of academics and athletics and become well-rounded citizens. The SCORE Act protects student-athletes and seeks to create an environment that will allow for the holistic development of student-athletes.

This bill reinforces a fundamental truth: student-athletes are students above all else, NOT employees. The PAC12 strongly supports the provisions that broaden our access to NIL opportunities, agent representation, privacy safeguards, and financial transparency, all while preserving our non-employment status. The SCORE Act also ensures comprehensive medical care, support for degree completion, and essential health, safety, and educational resources. This bill fosters fairness and establishes consistent standards nationwide, reflecting a modern, student-centered vision for collegiate athletics.

Thank you for your time and dedication to improving college athletics.

Kindest regards,

As the representative of the PAC12 SAAC,

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