

State shall provide notice and a copy of the complaint to the Commission at the same time as the attorney general files the action.

**(b) Intervention**

**(1) In general**

On receiving notice under subsection (a)(2), the Commission shall have the right to intervene in the action that is the subject of the notice.

**(2) Effect of intervention**

If the Commission intervenes in an action under subsection (a), it shall have the right—

- (A) to be heard with respect to any matter that arises in that action; and
- (B) to file a petition for appeal.

**(c) Construction**

For purposes of bringing any civil action under subsection (a), nothing in this chapter<sup>1</sup> shall be construed to prevent an attorney general of a State from exercising the powers conferred on the attorney general by the laws of that State to—

- (1) conduct investigations;
- (2) administer oaths or affirmations; or
- (3) compel the attendance of witnesses or the production of documentary and other evidence.

**(d) Actions by the Commission**

In any case in which an action is instituted by or on behalf of the Commission for a violation of section 7802 of this title, no State may, during the pendency of that action, institute an action under subsection (a) against any defendant named in the complaint in that action.

**(e) Venue**

Any action brought under subsection (a) may be brought in the district court of the United States that meets applicable requirements relating to venue under section 1391 of title 28.

**(f) Service of process**

In an action brought under subsection (a), process may be served in any district in which the defendant—

- (1) is an inhabitant; or
- (2) may be found.

(Pub. L. 108–304, § 5, Sept. 24, 2004, 118 Stat. 1127.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

This chapter, referred to in subsec. (c), was in the original “this title” and was translated as reading “this Act”, meaning Pub. L. 108–304, to reflect the probable intent of Congress, because Pub. L. 108–304 does not contain titles.

**§ 7805. Protection of educational institution**

**(a) Notice required**

Within 72 hours after entering into an agency contract or before the next athletic event in which the student athlete may participate, whichever occurs first, the athlete agent and the student athlete shall each inform the athletic director of the educational institution at which the student athlete is enrolled, or other individual responsible for athletic programs at such

educational institution, that the student athlete has entered into an agency contract, and the athlete agent shall provide the athletic director with notice in writing of such a contract.

**(b) Civil remedy**

**(1) In general**

An educational institution has a right of action against an athlete agent for damages caused by a violation of this chapter.

**(2) Damages**

Damages of an educational institution may include and are limited to actual losses and expenses incurred because, as a result of the conduct of the athlete agent, the educational institution was injured by a violation of this chapter or was penalized, disqualified, or suspended from participation in athletics by a national association for the promotion and regulation of athletics, by an athletic conference, or by reasonable self-imposed disciplinary action taken to mitigate actions likely to be imposed by such an association or conference.

**(3) Costs and attorneys fees**

In an action taken under this section, the court may award to the prevailing party costs and reasonable attorneys fees.

**(4) Effect on other rights, remedies and defenses**

This section does not restrict the rights, remedies, or defenses of any person under law or equity.

(Pub. L. 108–304, § 6, Sept. 24, 2004, 118 Stat. 1128.)

**§ 7806. Limitation**

Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to prohibit an individual from seeking any remedies available under existing Federal or State law or equity.

(Pub. L. 108–304, § 7, Sept. 24, 2004, 118 Stat. 1128.)

**§ 7807. Sense of Congress**

It is the sense of Congress that States should enact the Uniform Athlete Agents Act of 2000 drafted by the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws, to protect student athletes and the integrity of amateur sports from unscrupulous sports agents. In particular, it is the sense of Congress that States should enact the provisions relating to the registration of sports agents, the required form of contract, the right of the student athlete to cancel an agency contract, the disclosure requirements relating to record maintenance, reporting, renewal, notice, warning, and security, and the provisions for reciprocity among the States.

(Pub. L. 108–304, § 8, Sept. 24, 2004, 118 Stat. 1129.)

**CHAPTER 105—PROTECTION OF LAWFUL COMMERCE IN ARMS**

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**§ 7901. Findings; purposes**

**(a) Findings**

Congress finds the following:

<sup>1</sup> See References in Text note below.