

New Jersey State Assembly Bill A-2091

Effective July 11, 2006 : (Bill # A2091)

New Jersey State Assembly Bill A-2091 - The law now states that any child who wears corrective glasses and participates in any school, community or government-sponsored sports programs, will be required to wear protective eyewear meeting ASTM standards. The law also provides grants to low-income families to help offset the costs of purchasing the equipment

An Act concerning protective eyewear for certain children.

1. Any child who wears corrective eyeglasses while participating in racquetball, squash, tennis, women's lacrosse, basketball, women's field hockey, badminton, paddleball, basketball, volleyball, baseball or softball, sponsored by a school, community or government agency, shall be required to wear protective eyewear that meets the frames 1[and lens]1 standards of the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) F803 1and lens standards of the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) Z87.11.
2. The New Jersey Council on Physical Fitness and Sports, established under P.L.1999, c.265 (C.26:1A-37.5 et seq.) is authorized to provide grants to assist low-income families in purchasing the protective eyewear. As used in this section, a "low-income family" means a family which qualifies for low-income housing under the standards promulgated by the Council on Affordable Housing pursuant to the "Fair Housing Act," P.L.1985, c.222 (C.52:27D- 301 et 1[seq.] al.1).
3. No school, community or government agency engaged in organizing, teaching, refereeing or coaching a sports activity described in section 1 of this act shall be liable in a civil action for failure to administer or enforce the provisions of this act.
4. This act shall take effect six months after the date of enactment. (Law to take effect on July 11, 2006).