

SENATE BILL REPORT

HB 2270

AS REPORTED BY COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE & LABOR, FEBRUARY 28, 1992

Brief Description: Making technical changes to the statute governing athlete agents.

SPONSORS: Representative Heavey

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE & LABOR

SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE & LABOR

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators Matson, Chairman; Bluechel, McMullen, Moore, and Murray.

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Hearing Dates: February 25, 1992; February 28, 1992

BACKGROUND:

In 1991, the Legislature enacted a law requiring the registration of athlete agents with the Department of Licensing. This act made it a criminal offense for an athlete agent to: 1) induce a student athlete to enter into an agent contract or professional sport services contract, 2) enter into an agreement whereby the athlete agent offers anything of value to an employee of a school in return for the referral of a student athlete, or 3) offer money or any valuable consideration to a student athlete to induce the student athlete to enter into a professional sports services contract.

"Athlete agent" is defined as an individual registered under this chapter.

"Professional athlete" is defined in the act as a person who is under contract to a professional sports team and is no longer enrolled in an institution of higher education as an undergraduate student. References in the act to employment "with a professional sport team or as a professional athlete," therefore, are redundant.

SUMMARY:

Technical changes are made to the athlete agent registration statute.

"Athlete agent" is defined as an individual required to be registered under this chapter.

Redundant references to employment "with a professional sport team or as a professional athlete" are stricken.

Appropriation: none

Revenue: none

Fiscal Note: available

TESTIMONY FOR: None

TESTIMONY AGAINST: None

TESTIFIED: No one