

FINAL BILL REPORT

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Creating the community outdoor athletic fields advisory committee.

Sponsors: Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Jacobsen and Kohl).

Senate Committee on Government Operations

Senate Committee on Ways & Means

House Committee on Trade & Economic Development

Background: In 1997, Referendum 48 approved a mechanism established by the state to finance stadium and exhibition centers and education technology grants through a combination of state, local, and private sources. The portion of resulting state and local tax revenues that is in excess of bond payments and a private contribution of \$10 million are used to fund youth athletic facility grants. The Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation administers the youth athletic facility grants and awards them competitively to city, county, and nonprofit organizations.

Summary: A community outdoor athletic fields advisory council is established within the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation (IAC). The nine members are appointed from the public at large: four by the chairperson of the IAC, two by the House, two by the Senate, and one, who is the chairperson, by the Governor. Compensation is limited to reimbursement of travel expenses. The council advises the IAC, which is responsible, subject to available resources, for awarding youth athletic facility grants and other duties that may include a community outdoor athletic fields strategic plan, inventory, demand forecast, and funding analysis. The IAC is authorized to receive public and private funds.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate	47	0	
House	97	0	(House amended)
Senate	39	0	(Senate concurred)

Effective: June 11, 1998