

**TASK FORCE ON HIGH SCHOOL EXTRA
CURRICULAR § [SPORTS] ACTIVITIES §**

1999 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Sponsor: Robert M. Muhlestein

AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC EDUCATION; CREATING A TASK FORCE ON HIGH SCHOOL EXTRA CURRICULAR § [SPORTS] ACTIVITIES § TO STUDY AND REVIEW THE NEED FOR AND FEASIBILITY OF EXPANDING OR ESTABLISHING INTRAMURAL SPORTS PROGRAMS IN HIGH SCHOOL; PROVIDING FOR MEMBERSHIP; PROVIDING FOR A FINAL REPORT; APPROPRIATING § [~~\$29,500~~] \$27,000 § FOR THE TASK FORCE; AND PROVIDING A REPEAL DATE.

This act enacts uncodified material.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

Section 1. Task Force on High School Extracurricular Sports -- Creation -- Membership -- Interim rules followed -- Compensation -- Staff.

(1) There is created the Task Force on High School Extracurricular § [Sports] ACTIVITIES § consisting of the following § [~~eleven~~] NINE § members:

(a) three members of the Senate appointed by the president of the Senate, no more than two of whom may be from the same political party;

(b) § [~~five~~] THREE § members of the House of Representatives appointed by the speaker of the House

of Representatives, no more than § [~~three~~] TWO § of whom may be from the same political party;

(c) one member appointed by the Utah High School Activities Association;

(d) one member appointed jointly by the Utah School Boards Association and the Utah School Superintendent's Association; and

(e) a principal from an urban high school appointed by the Utah Association of Secondary School Principals.

(2) (a) The president of the Senate shall designate a member of the Senate appointed under Subsection (1)(a) as a cochair of the task force.

28 (b) The speaker of the House of Representatives shall designate a member of the House
 29 of Representatives appointed under Subsection (1)(b) as cochair of the task force.

30 (3) In conducting its business, the task force shall comply with the rules of legislative
 31 interim committees.

32 (4) (a) Salaries and expenses of legislative members of the task force shall be paid in
 33 accordance with Section 36-2-2 and Legislative Joint Rule 15.03.

34 (b) Members of the task force who are not legislators shall serve without compensation,
 35 but may be reimbursed for expenses and mileage as established by the Division of Finance.

36 **Section 2. Duties -- Interim report.**

37 The task force shall:

38 (1) § (a) § study and review both the need for and feasibility of either requiring or encouraging
 39 school districts to establish or expand intramural sports programs in grades 9 through 12, most
 40 particularly in the larger high schools in the state's metropolitan areas in order to allow more
 41 students at larger schools to participate in an organized sports program;

42 § [(2)] (b) § determine if such a program could be done on a voluntary basis, as to both
 42a coaches and
 43 officials, using existing school facilities at times not to conflict with other school-sponsored
 44 activities;

45 § [(3)] (c) § determine whether or not individuals or public or private corporations could sponsor
 46 or contribute to such a program to offset any incurred costs in the event the program included
 47 interschool competition;

48 § [(4)] (d) § review issues associated with any potential liability such a program might have on the
 49 coaches, officials, and schools involved in the program; § AND

50 [(5)] (e) § determine if playing in the intramural program would prohibit an individual from
 51 playing on the team that represents the school in athletic competition against other high schools
 52 in the state; § [and] (2)(a) STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF OPENING SCHOOL FACILITIES IN THE
 52a EVENINGS, SATURDAYS, AND ON HOLIDAYS FOR USE BY STUDENTS, TO INCLUDE GYMNASIUMS,
 52b AUDITORIUMS, ART AND SHOP FACILITIES, AND OTHER AREAS THAT COULD BE MADE
 52c AVAILABLE TO STUDENTS FOR POSITIVE ACTIVITIES; AND

52d (b) STUDY THE POTENTIAL FOR VOLUNTEER SUPERVISION AND THE COSTS OF SUCH
 52e ACTIVITIES AND USE OF THE FACILITIES; AND §

53 § [(6)] (3) § present a final report, including any proposed legislation, to the Education Interim
 54 Committee before November 30, 1999.

55 **Section 3. Appropriation.**

56 Except as provided in H.B. 4, Appropriations Coordination Act, there is appropriated from
 57 the General Fund for fiscal year 1998-99;

58 (1) \$3,500 to the Senate to pay for the compensation and expenses of senators on the task

59 force;

60 (2) \$ ~~\$6,000~~ \$3,500 § to the House of Representatives to pay for the compensation and
61 expenses of

61 representatives on the task force; and

62 (3) \$20,000 to the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel to pay for staffing
63 the task force.

64 Section 4. **Repeal date.**

65 This act is repealed November 30, 1999.

Legislative Review Note

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A limited legal review of this legislation raises no obvious constitutional or statutory concerns.

Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel