

SB 6540 - DIGEST

Requires the department of ecology to: (1) Create a playfield turf advisory group to provide advice to the department on the design and scope of the study of the health impacts of exposure to toxic chemicals in synthetic turf; and

(2) In consultation with the department of health, provide to the governor and the appropriate legislative committees a study analyzing the potential adverse health impacts of synthetic turf.

Prohibits a public or private school or local government from installing, or contracting for the installation of, a new field or playground surface made from synthetic turf.

Requires the department of health to provide each school board, considering the purchase of playground matting, with the most recent health studies regarding playground matting from shredded waste tires.

Requires school districts and local governments to post signs at each playground and playfield with synthetic turf.

Allows expenditures from the waste tire removal account to be used for conducting the study of crumb rubber in synthetic turf fields and playgrounds and for grants to assist schools and playgrounds installing fields and playgrounds.

Allows money in the waste tire removal account to be appropriated to the department of ecology to provide funding to schools and local governments installing fields and playgrounds.