
SENATE BILL 5786

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By Senators Heavey and Prentice

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1 AN ACT Relating to professional baseball; amending RCW 67.30.010;
2 adding a new section to chapter 9.04 RCW; and prescribing penalties.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 9.04 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) A person may not advertise a professional baseball team as
7 participating in major league baseball if less than seventy-five
8 percent of the team's baseball players were players on a major league
9 baseball team on August 12th of the previous year.

10 (2) Violation of this section is a misdemeanor and is subject to
11 RCW 9.04.060 through 9.04.080.

12 (3) This section shall not apply to any owner, publisher, agent, or
13 employee of a newspaper for the publication of an advertisement
14 published in good faith and without knowledge of the falsity thereof.

15 **Sec. 2.** RCW 67.30.010 and 1967 c 166 s 2 are each amended to read
16 as follows:

17 The participation of counties and cities in multipurpose sports
18 stadia which may be used for football, baseball, soccer, conventions,

1 home shows or any and all similar activities; the purchase, lease,
2 condemnation, or other acquisition of necessary real property therefor;
3 the acquisition by condemnation or otherwise, lease, construction,
4 improvement, maintenance, and equipping of buildings or other
5 structures upon such real property or other real property; the
6 operation and maintenance necessary for such participation, and the
7 exercise of any other powers herein granted to counties and cities, are
8 hereby declared to be public, governmental, and municipal functions,
9 exercised for a public purpose, and matters of public necessity, and
10 such real property and other property acquired, constructed, improved,
11 maintained, equipped, and used by counties and cities in the manner and
12 for the purposes enumerated in this chapter shall and are hereby
13 declared to be acquired, constructed, improved, maintained, equipped
14 and used for public, governmental, and municipal purposes and as a
15 matter of public necessity. However, a multipurpose stadium
16 constructed under this chapter in which major league baseball games
17 were played in the previous year may not be used for the staging of
18 professional baseball games if more than twenty-five percent of the
19 participating players were not paid professional baseball players
20 during the previous year.

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