

**Youth Athlete Concussion Policies Establishment  
SF 612 (Benson) – HF 905 (Hamilton)  
Minnesota Laws 2011: Chapter 90  
Effective Date: Various Dates**

This bill establishes return-to-play standards for youth athletes and education about concussions for youth sports facilitators. All cities, businesses, or nonprofit organizations that facilitate youth sports activities must make information about the nature, risk, and effects of concussion accessible to coaches, officials, young athletes and their parents. The information provided to all parties is from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The bill also requires coaches and officials to complete an annual online training program on concussions available from the CDC. All participating youth athlete and their parent must sign and submit a concussion information form to the coach or other official.

This bill requires coaches or officials to remove youth athletes from an activity if they show signs of a concussion. If the child shows signs of a concussion, they must be evaluated by a medical provider before returning to the activity. If the coach or official does not remove a youth athlete suspected of sustaining a concussion, they will not be held liable. There is no additional liability created by this bill against the organization facilitating the youth sports activity. The majority of the bill will become effective in the 2011-2012 school year.

(See Tracking List #96)

**School Facilities Recreational Activities Use Immunity Establishment  
SF 1068 (Daley) – HF 1343 (Dettmer)  
Minnesota Laws 2011: Chapter 57  
Effective Date: May 25, 2011**

This bill provides civil immunity for school districts that allow the public to use their facilities for recreational activity. A person would not be able to hold the school district liable if there is an injury or loss on the site. This bill does not affect certain liabilities of the school district already in place, such as if someone is injured by a hazardous element on the property and proper postings were not in place that school district would still be liable for the injuries.

(See Tracking List #139)