

HOUSE BILL No. 6340

September 18, 2002, Introduced by Rep. Scranton and referred to the Committee on Tax Policy.

A bill to establish the Michigan disability sports alliance fund in the department of community health; to provide for the distribution of money from the fund; to prescribe the duties and powers of certain agencies and officials; and to provide for appropriations.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the
2 "Michigan disability sports alliance fund act".

3 Sec. 2. As used in this act:

4 (a) "Department" means the department of community health.

5 (b) "Fund" means the Michigan disability sports alliance
6 fund created in section 3.

7 Sec. 3. (1) The Michigan disability sports alliance fund is
8 created in the department to provide funds to do both of the
9 following:

(a) Promote and enhance the development of sports opportunities for individuals with physical disabilities.

(b) Educate the general public about the importance of sports opportunities for individuals with physical disabilities.

(2) The state treasurer shall credit to the fund all amounts appropriated for this purpose under section 438 of the income tax act of 1967, 1967 PA 281, MCL 206.438.

(3) The fund shall consist of the money credited to the fund pursuant to section 438 of the income tax act of 1967, 1967 PA 281, MCL 206.438, any interest and earnings accruing from the saving and investment of that money, and other appropriations, money, or other things of value received by the fund.

(4) The state treasurer shall direct the investment of the fund.

(5) Money in the fund at the close of the year shall remain in the fund and shall not lapse to the general fund.

Sec. 4. (1) The money, interest, and earnings of the fund shall be expended solely for the purposes described in this act.

(2) Money granted or received as a gift or donation to the fund is available for distribution upon appropriation.

Sec. 5. The department shall provide grants to organizations that are exempt from taxation under section 501(c)(3) of the internal revenue code that have experience in providing and supporting sports opportunities to individuals with physical disabilities to do all of the following with the money from the fund:

1 (a) Support and host a statewide annual sporting competition
2 for individuals with physical disabilities.

3 (b) Promote local and regional sporting competitions for
4 individuals with physical disabilities.

5 (c) Provide information to the public about the value of
6 sporting events for individuals with physical disabilities.

7 (d) Develop and publicize criteria for proposals to be
8 funded under this act.

9 Sec. 6. (1) The department shall seek and approve proposals
10 from organizations that qualify to receive money from the fund
11 and determine which proposals to fund under this act. The
12 department shall only approve and fund proposals from individu-
13 als, groups, and institutions that have interest and experience
14 in providing sporting opportunities for individuals with physical
15 disabilities.

16 (2) The department shall review and approve proposals sub-
17 mitted for funding under this act and shall give priority to pro-
18 posals submitted by applicants that are located in this state and
19 that conduct sporting activities in this state.

20 Sec. 7. The money in the fund that is available for distri-
21 bution shall be appropriated each year.

22 Enacting section 1. This act does not take effect unless
23 Senate Bill No. _____ or House Bill No. 6339 (request
24 no. 07535'02) of the 91st Legislature is enacted into law.