



General Assembly

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Referred to Committee on Environment

Introduced by:
(ENV)

**AN ACT CONCERNING A MORATORIUM ON STATE FUNDED
ARTIFICIAL TURF ATHLETIC FIELDS AND THE POSTING OF SIGNS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) On and after the effective date of
2 this act, until July 1, 2010, no funds of the state shall be used for the
3 installation of any new artificial turf athletic field that is composed of
4 shredded or ground rubber.

5 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2009*) Any school, whether public or
6 private, that has an artificial turf athletic field, shall post a conspicuous
7 notice in large boldface type near such field warning of the toxins
8 contained in the rubber that compose such field and directing student
9 athletes to wash their hands and clothes after playing on such field.
10 For the purposes of this section, "school" means nursery schools,
11 kindergartens and grades one to twelve, inclusive, and any constituent
12 unit of the state system of higher education, as defined in section 10a-1
13 of the general statutes, or an independent college or university, as
14 defined in section 10a-37 of the general statutes, and "artificial turf"
15 means composed of shredded or ground rubber tires.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To impose a moratorium on the use of state funds for the installation of a new artificial turf athletic field and to require existing fields to post a sign warning of the toxins contained in the field.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]