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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 1-31-06

SPONSOR Vigil LAST UPDATED _____ HB 349

SHORT TITLE LAS VEGAS SPORTS ACTIVITIES SB _____

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APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY06	FY07		
	\$70.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

Department of Finance and Administration (DFA)

Public Education Department (PED)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 349 appropriates \$70 thousand from the general fund to the Local Government Division (LGD) of the Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) in FY07 for sports activities for the City of Las Vegas and West Las Vegas and Las Vegas city public school districts utilizing school and community members.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$70 thousand contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY07 would revert to the general fund.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

According to DFA, this appropriation will assist in upgrading the safety environment for the city youth program in collaboration with the two public schools and the community. The main focus is to upgrade safety equipment for the Young American Football League (YAFL). Currently, the

recreation department has a limited supply on safety equipment for this program, in which the city is forced to limit the number of participants. The city would like to upgrade all safety equipment for all their programs.

The Public Education Department highlighted the following benefits from increased support for youth athletics:

- Poor nutrition and physical inactivity increase the chances of children being at risk of being overweight or obese, both of which are risk factors for chronic diseases like asthma, diabetes, cardiovascular disease, sleep apnea, etc.
- Kids who aren't physically active are more likely to become overweight or obese
- Since the 1970s the prevalence of overweight among children has doubled for children ages 2-5 and 12-19, and tripled for children 6-11
- Regular physical activity, even at moderate levels, is associated with lower mortality rates and reduces the chances of developing chronic diseases. Increasing physical activity will increase levels of physical fitness, and higher levels of physical fitness are associated with improved academic performance
- The West Las Vegas and Las Vegas City Schools did not make AYP for school year '05-'06

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

PED noted that increased and improved sport activities may increase physical activity, reduce chronic health risks and improve academic performance.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

LGD/DFA and the city of Las Vegas will enter into a grant agreement rendering services specified in this bill. The project will be assigned to a project manager in the Community Development Bureau.

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