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OKLAHOMA YOUTH SPORTS INTEGRITY & ACCOUNTABILITY TASK FORCE

COMPREHENSIVE LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL

Detailed governance, agency responsibilities, evidence standards, statutory considerations, and implementation planning.

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Comprehensive Legislative Establishment Proposal | October 16, 2026

Prepared from the Baseball Heaven / Hidden Valley task force dashboard, legislative establishment proposal, and Phase II legislative discussion draft.

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Executive purpose

Establish a temporary statewide framework to independently review taxpayer-supported youth sports infrastructure, municipal and private facility-use arrangements, financial transparency, tournament operations, and measurable public benefit. Baseball and softball form the initial research scope; any expansion to other sports requires a defined public process.

Legislative decisions requested

• Request legislative counsel to evaluate a 24-month statutory task force, appropriations, appointment powers and a sunset clause.

• Explore a LOFT evaluation or legislative interim study of public youth-sports facility governance.

• Authorize independent validation of the Hidden Valley methodology and municipal records before adopting findings.

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1 | Mission, structure and independence

The task force would provide legislative oversight, public reporting and corrective-measure recommendations. It would not acquire independent police, tax-assessment, subpoena, arrest, search or prosecution powers unless a law expressly grants a specific authority. Existing auditors, investigators and prosecutors retain independent decision-making.

Proposed voting membership: 11 seats

Representation	Seats	Purpose
Legislative appointees	4	Legislative oversight and reporting
Municipal / county	2	Local facility governance
Independent finance / audit	2	Financial and methodology review
Youth sports governance	1	Operational expertise
Parent / community	1	Community experience
Child safety / accessibility	1	Inclusion and safeguarding

Appointments, eligibility, chair selection, vacancies, conflict rules, open-meeting requirements and balance are drafting questions for legislative counsel. Agency representatives would generally serve as nonvoting technical partners.

Governance diagram

Oklahoma Legislature (authorization / appropriations) ↓ Task Force (independent oversight) ↓ Three parallel functions: Fiscal and performance evaluation (LOFT / State Auditor); independent legal referral (Attorney General / OSBI / prosecutors); youth, municipal and academic advisory input. ↓ Public reports and implementation monitoring.

2 | Proposed Oklahoma agency participation

Agency / institution	Relevant expertise	Proposed contribution
House and Senate	Statutes, appropriations, hearings	Charter, hearings and legislative reforms
Legislative Office of Fiscal Transparency	Public finance and performance	Evaluate political subdivision operations within legal scope
State Auditor and Inspector	Public audits and internal controls	Reconcile government spending, revenues and contracts
Attorney General	State legal authority	Jurisdiction screening and authorized legal referrals
Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation	Criminal investigations	Investigate qualifying referrals under existing jurisdiction
District attorneys	Local prosecution	Independently assess qualifying criminal matters
Oklahoma Tax Commission	Tax compliance	Review issues within tax jurisdiction and confidentiality law
Oklahoma Ethics Commission	State ethics and disclosure rules	State-level ethics matters; not general municipal enforcement
Office of Management and Enterprise Services	Procurement / financial systems	Model procurement and reporting controls

Agency / institution	Relevant expertise	Proposed contribution
Department of Commerce	Local economic development	Economic benefit and opportunity-cost review
Tourism and Recreation	Tourism impact	Visitor-origin and spending methodology
Secretary of State	Corporate records	Verify entity registrations and filing history

Agency / institution	Relevant expertise	Proposed contribution
State Department of Education	School facility use	School-community agreements and access
State Department of Health	Public health	Heat, injury and participation guidance
Oklahoma Human Services / Commission on Children and Youth	Child welfare	Child-centered review and protection
Rehabilitation Services	Disability inclusion	Accessible facilities and participation
CareerTech and universities	Training and research	Officials workforce and independent methods review
Municipalities, counties, school districts	Public facilities and records	Source contracts, spending, ownership and access records
Municipal League / county associations	Local government practice	Practical model-agreement feedback

Specialist consultation may involve the Department of Labor, Environmental Quality, State Fire Marshal, Transportation, federal tax authorities or law enforcement only where the subject and jurisdiction warrant it. No agency participation is confirmed.

3 | Investigative scope and due-process controls

• Facility ownership, public investment, leases, operating and concession agreements, exclusivity and procurement.

• Tournament director and operator identities, event history, sanctioning, game guarantees and official staffing.

• Public revenues and costs distinguished from estimated private tournament financial activity.

• Public access, affordability, accessibility, safety and youth participation outcomes.

• Records access, retention, fee practices, legal compliance and verifiable economic impact.

Independent investigation safeguards

• Preserve original source files, chain of custody and dataset version history.

• Publish formulas, confidence limits and known counterevidence; require independent corroboration.

• Maintain restricted channels for allegations, confidential records and agency referrals.

• Offer a factual-response process to persons or entities named in proposed public findings.

• Require conflicts disclosures and recusal, including from research contributors.

• Do not direct law enforcement, prosecutors, tax officials or auditors to reach any particular outcome.

4 | Hidden Valley evidence and financial methodology

The source documents reference the September 20, 2026 Hidden Valley CSV but do not include its underlying rows. Accordingly, this proposal does not claim newly reconciled statewide or county financial totals. Earlier figures should remain clearly identified as historical dataset-version benchmarks.

Metric	Calculation / validation requirement
Team entry fees	Sum documented team entries x event/division fee; flag missing fees
Official slots	Games x officials per game, distinguishing actual assignments from assumptions
Umpire expense	Official slots x applicable annual pay assumptions or documented pay

Metric	Calculation / validation requirement
Gate revenue	Attendance x price x chargeable sessions, avoiding duplicate counting
Concessions	Attendance x spending x capture rate; publish ranges
Economic impact	Nonlocal direct spending plus justified secondary effects; exclude transfers and double counting
Public net benefit	Documented public receipts less documented public costs; separate from economic impact

Five evidence labels

A independently corroborated official record; B primary document pending corroboration; C reproducible research estimate; D unverified allegation or lead; E awaiting records. These are evidence statuses, not misconduct scores.

Core database records

COUNTY, MUNICIPALITY, FACILITY, EVENT, OPERATOR, CONTRACT, FINANCIAL_ESTIMATE, RECORD_REQUEST, EVIDENCE, FINDING, CORRECTIVE_ACTION. Each public metric needs geography, reporting period, dataset version, formula, assumptions, source, reviewer, last update and limitations.

5 | County pilot and task force dashboard

Initial case-study counties: Pottawatomie, Grady, Oklahoma, Cleveland, Tulsa, Muskogee, Carter and Washington. They reflect the existing research footprint, not an investigative ranking or conclusion about misconduct.

Dashboard module	Public output	Evidence gate
Facilities	Ownership, contracts, public capital	Official records
Events / directors	Teams, games, dates and operator identity	Versioned source dataset
Finance	Observed receipts vs modeled estimates	Formula and verification status
Records requests	Submitted / answered / pending	Correspondence
Economic impact	Sensitivity ranges and local boundary	Assumptions and independent review
Referrals	Only lawfully releasable aggregate status	Agency confidentiality screening
Corrective actions	Proposed / accepted / implemented / verified	Agency response and evidence

Evidence-to-reform flowchart

Research intake → Provenance and preservation → Independent corroboration → Jurisdiction screening → (a) Confidential referral to competent authority or (b) Performance and policy review → Findings and right of factual response → Corrective measure → Public implementation tracking.

6 | Proposed legislative provisions — counsel discussion outline

Section 1. Establishment

Create a temporary statewide task force for 24 months, contingent on appropriation and oversight.

Section 2. Purpose and scope

Review publicly supported youth sports facilities, public-private agreements, finance, access and economic impact.

Section 3. Membership

Define appointment authorities, terms, vacancies, chair, eligibility, conflicts and recusal.

Section 4. Records and confidentiality

Collect public records and voluntary submissions; preserve protections and do not imply compulsory powers.

Section 5. Referrals

Use existing lawful audit, tax, regulatory and criminal referral pathways without directing dispositions.

Section 6. Reports

Work plan within 120 days; preliminary case-study report within 12 months; final report within 24 months.

Section 7. Recommendations

Produce model facility-use agreements, reporting options, public-benefit metrics and statutory proposals.

Section 8. Funding and sunset

Appropriations, fiscal accountability, sunset and renewal mechanism.

7 | Fiscal scenarios and 2027 milestones

Scenario	Planning range	Limitations
Legislative study	$150,000–$300,000	Existing agency support, hearings and contracted methods
Dedicated 24-month review	$750,000–$1.5 million	Staff, independent audit, legal review, dashboard
Expanded investigation	$2 million+	Requires detailed staffing and fiscal analysis

All amounts are preliminary planning assumptions, not official government fiscal estimates.

• October–November 2026: compile evidence index, agency matrix, dataset dictionary and briefing.

• December 4, 2026: reported House bill-drafting request deadline; verify current legislative calendar.

• January 14, 2027: reported House bill-introduction deadline; verify procedural applicability.

• February–May 2027: potential legislative consideration if introduced.

• Within 120 days of establishment: adopted work plan, standards, governance and intake process.

• By month 12: interim report; by month 24: final report and corrective-action framework.

8 | Legislative submission checklist and sources

• Have legislative counsel verify statutory citations, appointment design, authority, open-meeting and public-record requirements.

• Obtain and independently audit the September 20 Hidden Valley CSV and column dictionary before publishing updated totals.

• Attach municipal facility contracts, records-request correspondence and public expenditure records with source indexes.

• Invite written agency feedback and municipal, operator, umpire, parent and youth stakeholder input.

• Commission a formal fiscal note and privacy/security review for the dashboard.

• Prepare a separate 2-page sponsor briefing and a one-page proposed study request.

Sources preserved from the supplied drafts — verify current text before filing

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