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OKLAHOMA YOUTH SPORTS INTEGRITY & ACCOUNTABILITY TASK FORCE

LEGISLATIVE BRIEFING BOOK

A structured overview of the proposed task force, agency roles, investigative safeguards, and the legislative development roadmap.

PREPARED FOR LEGISLATIVE AND INTERAGENCY DISCUSSION

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STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Youth Sports Integrity & Accountability Task Force

Legislative Briefing Book

Proposed governance, investigative safeguards, agency coordination, public financial accountability, and corrective measures.

Prepared for legislative and interagency discussion

Research initiative: Integrity of the Game vs. Economic Impact (Politics) — The Oklahoma Business Plan
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Executive briefing

Purpose

Establish a time-limited, legislatively authorized statewide process to examine public youth sports facilities, facility-use agreements, tournament operations, public revenues and expenditures, economic impact methods, and access for children and families.

What the proposal requests

Legislative consideration of a defined charter, an independent evidence review, agency participation consistent with existing jurisdiction, public reporting, and a pathway from substantiated findings to corrective policies.

Research foundation and safeguards

Hidden Valley and Baseball Heaven research would be submitted as leads for independent verification, not accepted as state findings. Historical financial estimates must remain distinguishable from actual receipts, audited amounts, and allegations. Protected investigations would remain confidential.

Proposed agency responsibility matrix

Institution / partner	Proposed contribution
Oklahoma Legislature	Authorization, hearings, appropriations, statutory recommendations
LOFT	Public-sector fiscal and operational evaluation within legal authority
State Auditor and Inspector	Authorized financial, performance and special audits
Attorney General / OSBI / district attorneys	Independent jurisdictional screening and enforcement referrals
Oklahoma Tax Commission / OMES	Tax administration and public financial/procurement expertise
Commerce / Tourism	Economic development and visitor-spending methodology
Education / youth and accessibility agencies	School access, youth protection, safety and inclusion
Municipalities / counties / universities	Contracts, public records, facilities, independent methods review

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Appendix B: establishment pathways, proposed membership, research evidence packages, budgets and legislative dates.
Appendix C: statutory discussion sections, investigative safeguards, evidence schema, financial calculation controls, and county pilots.

Decision points for legislative counsel

Confirm legal establishment route; review existing and proposed investigative authority; specify appointments, ethics, confidentiality and due process; request a fiscal note; determine reporting obligations and sunset; validate legislative deadlines.

Research and public sources

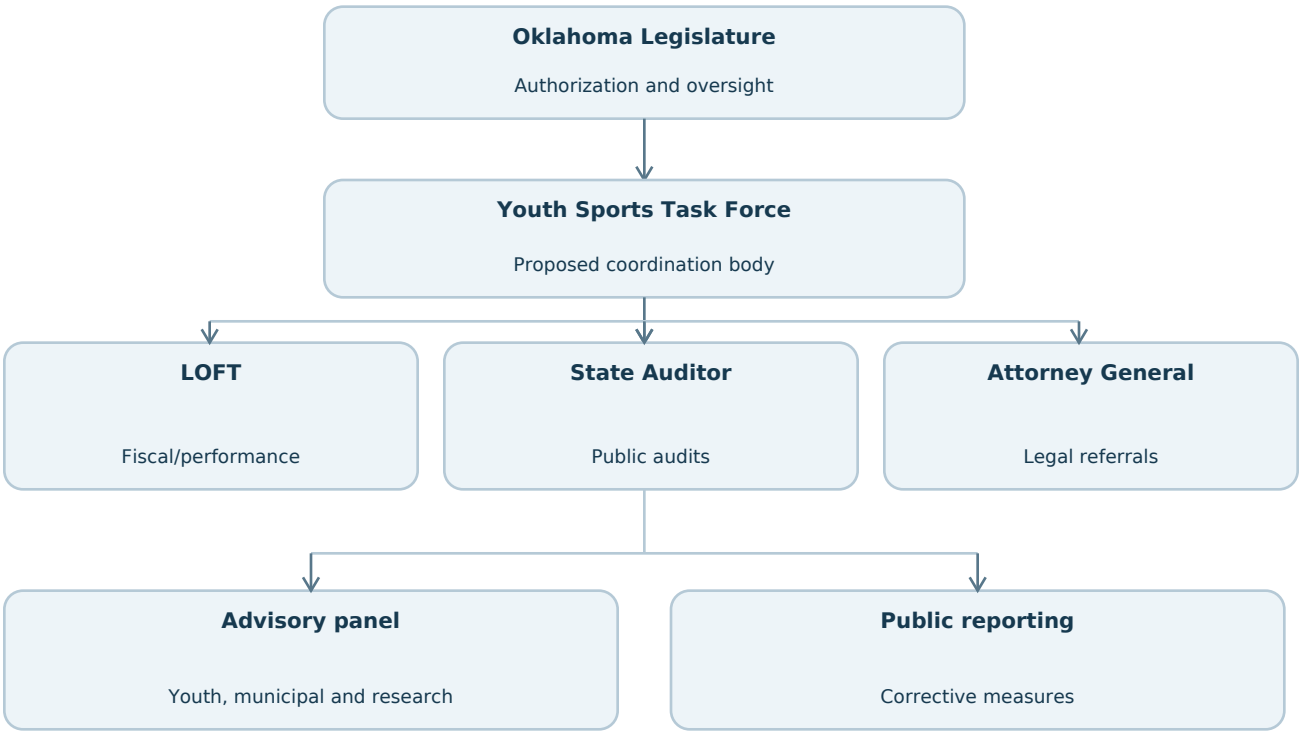
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https://www.okhouse.gov/leg_deadlines
Note: The original appendices may repeat content. This compilation intentionally retains their working-draft language for traceability. Legislative dates, statutes and financial assumptions require confirmation before formal filing.

Oklahoma Youth Sports Integrity, Transparency & Accountability Task Force

Concept dashboard | October 16, 2026 | Proposed, not authorized

Governance

Governance diagram



Evidence-to-reform workflow

Workflow diagram



Agency engagement

- Legislative authority: House, Senate, LOFT.
- Fiscal: State Auditor, Tax Commission, OMES.
- Legal: Attorney General, OSBI, District Attorneys, Ethics Commission (jurisdiction-limited).
- Community and economic: Commerce, Tourism, Secretary of State, municipalities, counties, universities.
- Youth: Education, Health, Human Services, Commission on Children and Youth, Rehabilitation Services, CareerTech.

Dashboard indicators

- Evidence leads / corroborated findings / unresolved requests
- Facilities and municipalities covered
- Historical entry fees, gate estimates, concessions, game counts, umpire slots

- Taxpayer capital/maintenance costs and documented public receipts
- Economic impact scenario range, assumptions and confidence
- Corrective measures proposed, accepted, implemented, independently verified

All financial figures must carry source, time period, units, assumptions and verification status. No finding of wrongdoing follows solely from an estimate.

Oklahoma Youth Sports Integrity & Accountability Task Force

Legislative Establishment Proposal — Working Draft 1.0 — October 16, 2026

Mission

Establish an official, independently governed statewide mechanism to review taxpayer-funded youth sports infrastructure, municipal and private operating arrangements, financial accountability, tournament operations, economic impact, and youth access. The task force would coordinate authorized investigations and audits; it would not independently exercise police or subpoena powers absent statutory authorization.

Establishment pathways

1. Legislative interim study for hearings and scoping.
2. Legislative resolution or committee for oversight, subject to rules and statutory powers.
3. Enacted statute defining the task force's membership, jurisdiction, funding, evidence protections, referrals, reports and sunset.
4. Parallel request for a LOFT evaluation of political-subdivision operations.

Proposed statutory sections

1. Establishment and definitions.
2. Public purpose and jurisdiction.
3. Scope: public facilities, agreements, finances, tournaments, and youth benefit.
4. Membership, appointments, vacancies, and conflicts.
5. Records access and confidentiality, with no implied new subpoena power.
6. Evidence standards and independent verification.
7. Referral to authorized audit, tax, and law-enforcement agencies.
8. Public reports and opportunity for factual corrections.
9. Funding, procurement, and fiscal oversight.
10. Sunset after 24 months unless renewed.

Proposed membership

11 voting members: four legislative appointees; two municipal/county representatives; two independent financial/audit experts; one youth sports governance expert; one parent/community representative; one child safety/accessibility expert. Nonvoting technical representatives: LOFT, State Auditor, Attorney General, OSBI, Tax Commission, Commerce, Tourism, Education, Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth, and university researchers. Specific appointment mechanics require legal drafting.

Research evidence packages

A. Hidden Valley data and reproducible financial methodology.

B. Facility ownership, leases and operating agreements.

C. Tournament and director records.

D. Municipal public spending and subsidies.

E. Economic-impact methodology and sensitivity analysis.

F. Public-records correspondence and responses.

G. Youth access, inclusion and community outcomes.

Evidence workflow

Intake -> preservation and provenance -> independent validation -> jurisdiction screening -> public-sector audit/policy review or protected enforcement referral -> documented findings -> proposed corrective measures -> agency responses -> implementation tracking.

Proposed budget scenarios (planning estimates, not appropriations)

Lean study: $150,000-$300,000, relying on existing agency resources and contracted expertise.

Dedicated 24-month review: $750,000-$1,500,000, subject to personnel, technology, legal and audit scoping.

Expanded statewide investigative program: $2,000,000+, requiring a detailed staffing and legal authority study.

All figures are preliminary planning scenarios, not sourced government cost estimates.

Dashboard specifications

Every public metric must display: reporting period, geographic scope, dataset version, source, formula, verification level, reviewer, last-updated date, and known limitations. Confidential evidence and allegations remain restricted. Suggested modules: agency roles; county/facility financials; director events; public contracts; economic impact; records requests; evidence review; referrals; reforms; agency responses.

2027 legislative dates

Dec 4, 2026 bill request deadline; Jan 5, 2027 organizational day; Jan 14, 2027 bill introduction deadline; Feb 1, 2027 session begins; May 28, 2027 adjournment. Source: https://www.okhouse.gov/leg_deadlines

Source links

LOFT authorizing statutes: https://okloft.gov/authorizing-statutes

LOFT reports: https://okloft.gov/reports

Oklahoma Senate interim studies: https://oksenate.gov/publications/interim-studies?Year=2026

Oklahoma House legislative deadlines: https://www.okhouse.gov/leg_deadlines

Oklahoma Ethics rules and laws: https://www.oklahoma.gov/ethics/resources/rules-and-laws.html

Research source pages

https://www.baseballheaven.net/hidden-valley-integrity-of-the-game/

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https://www.baseballheaven.net/better-together-oklahoma-youth-sports/

Status

This is a draft policy proposal, not an established state entity or verified legal opinion. The September 20, 2026 Hidden Valley dataset must be reconciled with all historical baselines before official submission.

Oklahoma Youth Sports Public Infrastructure Integrity and Accountability Act

Phase II — Legislative Counsel Discussion Draft | October 16, 2026

Status: Policy drafting proposal only. Not enacted legislation, an official agency investigation, or a finding of misconduct. Statutory language requires Oklahoma legislative counsel review.

Legislative findings and purpose

The Legislature may find that public investment in municipal, county, and school-related youth sports facilities warrants consistent oversight of public spending, facility agreements, equitable community access, and measurable public benefit. The proposed Act would create a time-limited Youth Sports Public Infrastructure Integrity and Accountability Task Force to evaluate those issues without presuming wrongdoing by any entity or person.

Section 1 — Establishment and duration

A temporary statewide task force is established for 24 months from its effective date, subject to appropriations and legislative oversight. It is not a law-enforcement agency and receives no independent subpoena, search, arrest, prosecution, or tax-assessment authority unless separately and expressly granted by law.

Section 2 — Scope

Review public ownership and stewardship of youth sports facilities; procurement, leases, concessions and operating agreements; public expenditures and revenues; tournament-related utilization; school and community access; youth safety and accessibility; and methodology of claims about economic impact. Examine baseball and softball initially, with an explicit process for considering other youth sports.

Section 3 — Governance

Proposed 11 voting seats: four legislative appointees, two municipal/county representatives, two independent audit/finance specialists, one youth-sports governance specialist, one parent/community representative, and one child-safety/accessibility specialist. Appointment procedures, eligibility, removal, terms, chair selection, public-meeting requirements, and partisan balance must be drafted by counsel. Agency specialists are nonvoting technical partners unless law specifies otherwise.

Section 4 — Investigative safeguards

Collect public records and voluntary submissions, use existing statutory pathways for authorized audits and inquiries, document chain of custody, and preserve confidentiality where required. Refer potential criminal, tax, or regulatory matters to competent authorities without directing the outcome. Publish only appropriately verified, releasable findings; allow affected parties to respond to proposed factual findings. Require conflict disclosures and recusal procedures.

Section 5 — Reports and corrective measures

Within 120 days: work plan and evidence standards. Within 12 months: preliminary report on selected municipal case studies. Within 24 months: final report, model municipal facility-use agreement, public-benefit metrics, financial-reporting options, records-access recommendations, and implementation dashboard. Report uncertainties, counterevidence, and unresolved records requests.

Section 6 — Funding

Any appropriation is subject to fiscal-note analysis. Planning ranges only: legislative study $150k–$300k; dedicated 24-month task force $750k–$1.5m; expanded investigations $2m+. These are not government cost estimates.

Section 7 — Relationship to existing law

LOFT authority: 62 O.S. § 8012 and official LOFT authorizing statutes. Public records: 51 O.S. §§ 24A.1 et seq. Municipal investigative audit fund: 11 O.S. § 17-107A. Existing statutory authority is not expanded by this discussion draft without specific enacted language.

Evidence database schema

COUNTY: county_id, county_name, district_attorney_district, source_status.

MUNICIPALITY: municipality_id, county_id, official_name, public_records_portal.

FACILITY: facility_id, municipality_id, facility_name, owner_claim, ownership_verified, source_id.

EVENT: event_id, source_dataset_version, facility_id, event_date, sport, division, team_entries, minimum_games, modeled_official_slots.

OPERATOR: operator_id, public_name, identity_verification_status, sources.

CONTRACT: contract_id, facility_id, operator_id, effective_dates, fee_terms, public_document_id.

FINANCIAL_ESTIMATE: estimate_id, facility_id, event_id, fee_type, formula, assumptions, amount, modeled_or_observed, validation_status.

RECORD_REQUEST: request_id, jurisdiction, submitted_date, response_date, fee, status, documents.

EVIDENCE: evidence_id, source_type, URL_or_archive_path, capture_date, verification_status, confidentiality_class.

FINDING: finding_id, scope, issue, evidence_ids, status, independent_reviewer, response_received, publication_approval.

CORRECTIVE_ACTION: action_id, finding_id, proposed_action, responsible_entity, voluntary_or_mandated, deadline, verified_status.

Evidence labels

A — Independently corroborated official record; B — Primary document pending corroboration; C — Research calculation with published formula; D — Unverified allegation or lead; E — Awaiting records. These are source labels, not guilt or misconduct scores.

Calculation controls

Team entry fees = sum of documented team entries × event/division-specific entry fee; missing fee data must be flagged, not silently imputed.

Official slots = documented games × documented officials per game, or separately labeled assumptions.

Umpire cost = official slots × documented or assumed compensation by year.

Gate estimate = attendance model × admission price × chargeable sessions, with double-count controls.

Concession estimate = attendance model × spend per attendee × capture rate, with uncertainty bands.

Economic impact = eligible nonlocal direct spending plus appropriately justified indirect/induced effects; exclude transfers and double-counted tournament receipts. Publish local versus statewide boundaries and sensitivity ranges.

County case study pilot

Begin with Pottawatomie, Grady, Oklahoma, Cleveland, Tulsa, Muskogee, Carter and Washington counties as research pilots because existing project work concerns facilities or records requests in those areas. This is a proposed research sequence, not an allegation or investigative ranking. Do not assign findings before records are reviewed.

Legislative schedule

December 4, 2026: bill drafting request deadline. January 14, 2027: bill introduction deadline. February 1, 2027: session begins. Source: https://www.okhouse.gov/leg_deadlines

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https://law.justia.com/codes/oklahoma/title-62/section-62-8012/

https://www.oklahoma.gov/libraries/law-legislative-reference/library-laws-and-regulations/statutes-and-rules--open-record-act.html

https://law.justia.com/codes/oklahoma/title-11/section-11-17-107a/

https://www.okhouse.gov/leg_deadlines

Next data requirements

Obtain the September 20, 2026 Hidden Valley CSV and its column dictionary, plus the current facility/municipality/director mapping, before publishing reconciled totals or county findings. Preserve earlier September 5/10 totals only as historical version benchmarks.