

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES LOCAL BILL STAFF ANALYSIS

BILL #: HB 929

Pinellas County

SPONSOR(S): Berfield

TIED BILLS:

IDEN./SIM. BILLS: SB 1864

REFERENCE	ACTION	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR
1) <u>Local Government Council</u>	<u>8 Y, 0 N</u>	<u>Smith</u>	<u>Hamby</u>
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SUMMARY ANALYSIS

This bill abolishes the Pinellas Sports Authority, and provides for the transfer of assets and liabilities to Pinellas County.

According to the Economic Impact Statement, no fiscal impacts are anticipated for either fiscal year 2006-07 or 2007-08.

FULL ANALYSIS

I. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS

A. HOUSE PRINCIPLES ANALYSIS:

Provide limited government – This bill abolishes the Pinellas Sports Authority (Authority).

B. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

Current Situation

The Authority was created in 1977 by ch. 77-635, L.O.F., for the purpose of determining the feasibility of developing a comprehensive complex of sports and recreation facilities for the use of the citizens of Pinellas County and for planning, construction, and operation of such facility. The Authority is authorized to fix and collect rates, rentals, fees and charges for the use of any and all of the sports and recreational facilities.

Effect of Proposed Changes

This bill repeals chapters 77-635, 80-503, 83-503, and 88-478, L.O.F., and thereby abolishes the Pinellas Sports Authority, and transfers the assets and liabilities of the Authority to Pinellas County.

C. SECTION DIRECTORY:

Section 1: Repeals chapters 77-635, 80-583, 83-503, and 88-478, L.O.F., abolishing the Authority; transfers the assets and liabilities of the Authority to Pinellas County, and provides that Pinellas County will assume the Authority's obligations.

Section 2: Provides an effective date of upon becoming law.

II. NOTICE/REFERENDUM AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS

A. NOTICE PUBLISHED? Yes No

IF YES, WHEN? December 30, 2005

WHERE? *Pinellas News*, St. Petersburg, Pinellas County, Florida.

B. REFERENDUM(S) REQUIRED? Yes No

IF YES, WHEN?

C. LOCAL BILL CERTIFICATION FILED? Yes, attached No

D. ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT FILED? Yes, attached No

III. COMMENTS

A. CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES: Not Applicable.

B. RULE-MAKING AUTHORITY: Not Applicable.

C. DRAFTING ISSUES OR OTHER COMMENTS: None.

IV. AMENDMENTS/COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE & COMBINED BILL CHANGES

None.