

Representative Paul Ray proposes the following substitute bill:

ATHLETE INJURY AMENDMENTS

2015 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Paul Ray

Senate Sponsor: Evan J. Vickers

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill shields an amateur sports organization from liability for injuries under certain circumstances.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

► shields an agent of an amateur sports organization and the organization from liability for injuries to an athlete if the organization has a protocol for injuries in place and the protocol was followed and documented at the time of the injury.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

ENACTS:

26-53-501, Utah Code Annotated 1953

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

Section 1. Section **26-53-501** is enacted to read:



26 26-53-501. Liability.

27 (1) A nonprofit amateur sports organization or an agent of a nonprofit amateur sports
28 organization may not be held liable for injuries or future medical conditions related to an injury
29 suffered by an athlete during a sporting event sponsored by the amateur sports organization if:

30 (a) the injury is the result of an inherent risk of the activity; or

31 (b) the amateur sports organization and the participating team or club has a policy in
32 place consistent with this chapter.

33 (2) The failure of the participating team or club to follow the policy does not affect the
34 immunity of the nonprofit amateur sports organization but may affect the immunity of the team
35 or club.