
DIGEST

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HB No. 98

Abstract: Authorizes public school boards to name athletic facilities after living persons.

Present law provides that no public building, public bridge, public park, public fish or game preserve, or public wildlife refuge owned by the state or by any political subdivision of the state or by any institution receiving its support in whole or in part from the state shall be named in honor of any living person, except as authorized or provided by law. Such authorization in present law includes that which allows a school board to name an existing athletic facility at a high school in honor of a living person. Allows the board to establish criteria for such naming but provides that such criteria are not a prerequisite for the exercise of this authority.

Proposed law broadens the application of such authority to allow a school board to name an existing athletic facility at any school within its jurisdiction in honor of a living person and otherwise retains present law.

(Amends R.S. 17:85)