
SENATE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Senator Sabrina Cervantes, Chair
2025 - 2026 Regular Session

AB 2204 (Gabriel) - Prisons: organized sports programming

Version: June 11, 2026

Urgency: No

Hearing Date: August 13, 2026

Policy Vote: PUB. S. 6 - 0

Mandate: No

Consultant: Bob Franzoia

Bill Summary: AB 2204 would establish the Second Chance Sports Act and would require the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) to establish a policy on organized sports programming at facilities operated by CDCR. The bill would establish the Second Chance Sports Fund and would require the Government Operations (Gov Ops) Agency to seek advisement from the Legislature and CDCR on the priorities for utilizing the moneys.

******* ANALYSIS ADDENDUM – SUSPENSE FILE *******

**The following information is revised to reflect amendments
adopted by the committee on August 13, 2026**

Fiscal Impact: Moderate to significant costs to CDCR to establish the Second Chance Sports Act (General Fund).

Unknown annual costs to CDCR and the Gov Ops Agency to establish and operate organized sports programming (private).

Author Amendments: Make technical and clarifying changes.

Committee Amendments: Provide that the bill shall remain operative until January 1, 2030, or until funds appropriated are exhausted, whichever occurs first. Suset the bill on January 1, 2030, or January 1 following the date when the funds appropriated are exhausted, whichever comes first.

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