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On Behalf

Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Ways and Means Subcommittee On Capital

Construction

Measure: HB5201

Please support the \$15 million grant that is needed to build a new stadium for the HOPS required by MLB to meet current standards. This does not take money from the general fund and will provide increases in state income tax from construction and stadium jobs to the tune of \$6.9 million over the next 6-7 yrs.

We need positive affordable activities for families to do, that are safe and close to home for those of us in WASHINGTON COUNTY. The HOPS have contributed nearly \$1 million to youth softball and baseball organizations and education related opportunities, we cannot lose that!! We need venues that bring people to gather where all citizens regardless of race, sexual orientation, or political persuasions can be together and enjoy our countries national pastime.

I am a senior citizen, I live in Washington COunty, there are so few things I can affordably take my grandchildren to that they so enjoy, Pleases support this wonderful "gem of a team" located in our own country..I don't think you will be sorry.

Thank you for helping

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