

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 485**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Papan**

February 24, 1997

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An act to amend Section 38131 of the Education Code, relating to the Civil Center Act.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 485, as introduced, Papan. Schools: youth center.

Existing law permits the governing board of any school district to grant the use of school facilities or grounds as a civic center, as specified, for supervised recreational activities including, but not limited to, sports league activities for youths that are arranged for and supervised by entities, as specified.

This bill would specify that the governing board of any school district may grant the use of school facilities or grounds as a civic center, as specified, for a community youth center.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 38131 of the Education Code is  
2 amended to read:  
3 38131. (a) There is a civic center at each and every  
4 public school facility and grounds within the state where  
5 the citizens, parent-teachers' associations, Camp Fire  
6 girls, Boy Scout troops, farmers' organizations,  
7 school-community advisory councils, senior citizens'

1 organizations, clubs, and associations formed for  
2 recreational, educational, political, economic, artistic, or  
3 moral activities of the public school districts may engage  
4 in supervised recreational activities, and where they may  
5 meet and discuss, from time to time, as they may desire,  
6 any subjects and questions which in their judgment  
7 pertain to the educational, political, economic, artistic,  
8 and moral interests of the citizens of the communities in  
9 which they reside.

10 (b) The governing board of any school district may  
11 grant the use of school facilities or grounds as a civic  
12 center upon the terms and conditions the board deems  
13 proper, subject to the limitations, requirements, and  
14 restrictions set forth in this article, for any of the following  
15 purposes:

16 (1) Public, literary, scientific, recreational,  
17 educational, or public agency meetings.

18 (2) The discussion of matters of general or public  
19 interest.

20 (3) The conduct of religious services for temporary  
21 periods, on a one-time or renewable basis, by any church  
22 or religious organization that has no suitable meeting  
23 place for the conduct of the services, provided the  
24 governing board charges the church or religious  
25 organization using the school facilities or grounds a fee as  
26 specified in subdivision (d) of Section 40043.

27 (4) Child care or day care programs to provide  
28 supervision and activities for children of preschool and  
29 elementary school age.

30 (5) The administration of examinations for the  
31 selection of personnel or the instruction of precinct board  
32 members by public agencies.

33 (6) Supervised recreational activities including, but  
34 not limited to, sports league activities for youths that are  
35 arranged for and supervised by entities, including  
36 religious organizations or churches, and in which youths  
37 may participate regardless of religious belief or  
38 denomination.

39 (7) *A community youth center.*



1 (8) Other purposes deemed appropriate by the  
2 governing board.

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