

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

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1 AMEND House Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 125, Page 4, Section 192.500, Line 18,
2 by inserting immediately after said section and line the following:

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4 "317.006. 1. The division shall have general charge and supervision of all professional
5 boxing, sparring, professional wrestling, professional kickboxing ~~[and]~~, professional full-contact
6 karate, professional mixed martial arts, and amateur mixed martial arts contests held in the state of
7 Missouri, and it shall have the power, and it shall be its duty:

8 (1) To make and publish rules governing in every particular professional boxing, sparring,
9 professional wrestling, professional kickboxing ~~[and]~~, professional full-contact karate contests,
10 professional mixed martial arts, and amateur mixed martial arts;

11 (2) To make and publish rules governing the approval of amateur sanctioning bodies;

12 (3) To accept applications for and issue licenses to contestants in professional boxing,
13 sparring, professional wrestling, professional kickboxing ~~[and]~~, professional full-contact karate,
14 professional mixed martial arts, and amateur mixed martial arts contests held in the state of
15 Missouri, and referees, judges, matchmakers, managers, promoters, seconds, announcers,
16 timekeepers and physicians involved in professional boxing, sparring, professional wrestling,
17 professional kickboxing ~~[and]~~, professional full-contact karate, professional mixed martial arts, and
18 amateur mixed martial arts contests held in the state of Missouri, as authorized herein. Such
19 licenses shall be issued in accordance with rules duly adopted by the division;

20 (4) To charge fees to be determined by the director and established by rule for every license
21 issued and to assess a tax of five percent of the gross receipts of any person, organization,
22 corporation, partnership, limited liability company, or association holding a promoter's license and
23 permit under sections 317.001 to 317.021, derived from admission charges connected with or as an
24 incident to the holding of any professional boxing, sparring, professional wrestling, professional
25 kickboxing ~~[or]~~, professional full-contact karate, professional mixed martial arts, or amateur mixed
26 martial arts contest in the state of Missouri. Such funds shall be paid to the division of professional
27 registration which shall pay said funds into the Missouri state treasury to be set apart into a fund to
28 be known as the "Athletic Fund" which is hereby established;

29 (5) To assess a tax of five percent of the gross receipts of any person, organization,
30 corporation, partnership, limited liability company or association holding a promoter's license under
31 sections 317.001 to 317.021 derived from the sale, lease or other exploitation in this state of
32 broadcasting, television, pay-per-view, closed-circuit telecast, and motion picture rights for any
33 professional boxing, sparring, professional wrestling, professional kickboxing ~~[or]~~, professional
34 full-contact karate, professional mixed martial arts, or amateur mixed martial arts contest. Such
35 funds shall be paid to the division which shall pay said funds into the Missouri state treasury to be
36 set apart into a fund to be known as the "Athletic Fund";

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(6) Each cable television system operator whose pay-per-view or closed-circuit facilities are utilized to telecast a bout or contest shall, within thirty calendar days following the date of the telecast, file a report with the office stating the number of orders sold and the price per order.

2. All fees established pursuant to sections 317.001 to 317.021 shall be determined by the director by rule in such amount as to produce sufficient revenue to fund the necessary expenses and operating costs incurred in the administration of the provisions of sections 317.001 to 317.021. All expenses shall be paid as otherwise provided by law.

317.011. 1. The division shall have the power, and it shall be its duty, to accept application for and issue permits to hold professional boxing, sparring, professional wrestling, professional kickboxing ~~[or]~~, professional full-contact karate, professional mixed martial arts, or amateur mixed martial arts contests in the state of Missouri, and to charge a fee for the issuance of same in an amount established by rule; such funds to be paid to the division which shall pay such funds into the Missouri state treasury to be set apart into the athletic fund.

2. The provisions of section 33.080 to the contrary notwithstanding, money in this fund shall not be transferred and placed to the credit of general revenue until the amount in the fund at the end of the biennium exceeds two times the amount of the appropriation from the fund for the preceding fiscal year or, if the division requires by rule renewal of the permits less frequently than yearly then three times the appropriation from the fund for the preceding fiscal year. The amount, if any, in the fund which shall lapse is that amount in the fund which exceeds the appropriate multiple of the appropriations from the fund for the preceding fiscal year.

3. The division shall not grant any permit to hold professional boxing, sparring, professional wrestling, professional kickboxing ~~[or]~~, professional full-contact karate, professional mixed martial arts, or amateur mixed martial arts contests in the state of Missouri except:

(1) Where such professional boxing, sparring, professional wrestling, professional kickboxing ~~[or]~~, professional full-contact karate, professional mixed martial arts, or amateur mixed martial arts contest is to be held under the auspices of a promoter duly licensed by the division; and

(2) Where a fee has been paid for such permit, in an amount established by rule.

4. In such contests a decision shall be rendered by three judges licensed by the division.

5. Specifically exempted from the provisions of this chapter are contests or exhibitions for amateur boxing~~[, amateur kickboxing,]~~ and amateur wrestling ~~[and amateur full-contact karate]~~. However, all amateur boxing~~[, amateur kickboxing,]~~ and amateur wrestling ~~[and amateur full-contact karate]~~ must be sanctioned by a nationally recognized amateur sanctioning body approved by the office.

317.013. 1. In order to protect the health and welfare of the contestants, there shall be a mandatory medical suspension of any contestant, not to exceed one hundred eighty days, who loses consciousness or who has been injured as a result of blows received to the head or body during a professional boxing, professional wrestling, professional kickboxing, ~~[or]~~, professional full-contact karate, professional mixed martial arts, or amateur mixed martial arts contest. The determination of consciousness is to be made only by a physician licensed by the board of healing arts and the division. Medical suspensions issued in accordance with this section shall not be reviewable by any tribunal.

2. No license shall be issued to any person who has been injured in such a manner that they may not continue to participate in boxing, wrestling, kickboxing, ~~[or]~~, full-contact karate, professional mixed martial arts, or amateur mixed martial arts contests in the future. Such a person shall be deemed medically retired. No person with a status of medically retired shall compete in any events governed by this chapter. Medical retirements issued in accordance with this section shall not be reviewable by any tribunal.

317.014. 1. Upon proper application by the director, or the director of the office, a court of

competent jurisdiction may grant an injunction, restraining order or any other order as may be appropriate to enjoin a person, partnership, organization, corporation, limited liability company or association from:

(1) Promoting or offering to promote any professional boxing, sparring, professional wrestling, professional kickboxing ~~[and]~~, professional full-contact karate, professional mixed martial arts, or amateur mixed martial arts contests ~~[in Missouri]~~ that are not approved by the Missouri office of athletics;

(2) Advertising or offering to advertise any professional boxing, sparring, professional wrestling, professional kickboxing ~~[and]~~, professional full-contact karate, professional mixed martial arts, or amateur mixed martial arts contests ~~[in Missouri]~~ that are not approved by the Missouri office of athletics;

(3) Conducting or offering to conduct any professional boxing, sparring, professional wrestling, professional kickboxing ~~[and]~~, professional full-contact karate, professional mixed martial arts, or amateur mixed martial arts contests ~~[in Missouri]~~ that are not approved by the Missouri office of athletics; or

(4) Competing or offering to compete in any professional boxing, sparring, professional wrestling, professional kickboxing ~~[and]~~, professional full-contact karate, professional mixed martial arts, or amateur mixed martial arts contests ~~[in Missouri]~~ that are not approved by the Missouri office of athletics.

2. Any such actions shall be commenced either in the county in which such conduct occurred or in the county in which the defendant resides.

3. Any action brought under this section shall be in addition to, and not in lieu of, any penalty provided by law and may be brought concurrently with other actions to enforce this chapter.

317.017. 1. In any professional or amateur event the division regulates, no person shall be allowed to participate if such person is not eighteen years of age or older on or before the day the individual is scheduled to participate in the event.

2. Before the office issues a promoter's license, the promoter shall provide the office a surety bond in the amount of twenty-five thousand dollars or an irrevocable letter of credit in the amount of at least twenty-five thousand dollars from a lending institution approved to do business in the United States to guarantee payment of all state athletic taxes and fees to the state. The surety bond shall cover all expenses of the contestants and officials in the event of default by the promoter. The irrevocable letter of credit shall only be released upon written approval by the office. An additional bond or irrevocable letter of credit may be required in the amount specified by the office when it may be reasonably expected that the twenty-five thousand dollar bond or irrevocable letter of credit will not provide sufficient protection to the state. It shall be the duty of each promoter to maintain all required bonds on a current status.

3. There shall be a prohibition of all elbow strikes to the head of an opponent during an amateur mixed martial arts bout.

4. For the first five sanctioned amateur bouts, there shall be a prohibition of knee strikes to the head of an opponent during an amateur mixed martial arts contests. However, after the fifth sanctioned bout for both contestants, both contestants may mutually agree to allow knee strikes during a bout.

317.019. 1. The promoter of a professional boxing, professional kickboxing, ~~[and]~~, professional full-contact karate, professional mixed martial arts, and amateur mixed martial arts contest shall sign written bout contracts with each professional contestant. Original bout contracts shall be filed with the division prior to the event as required by the rules of the office. The bout contract shall be on a form supplied by the division and contain at least the following:

(1) The weight required of the contestant at weigh-in;

1 (2) The amount of the purse to be paid for the contest, except amateur mixed martial arts
2 contests;

3 (3) The date and location of the contest;

4 (4) The glove size allotted for each contestant;

5 (5) Any other payment or consideration provided to the contestant, except amateur mixed
6 martial arts contests;

7 (6) List of all fees, charges, and expenses including training expenses that will be assessed
8 to the contestant or deducted from the contestant's purse, except amateur mixed martial arts
9 contests;

10 (7) Any advances paid to the contestant before the bout, except amateur mixed martial arts
11 contests;

12 (8) The amount of any compensation or consideration that a promoter has contracted to
13 receive in connection with the bout or contest, except amateur mixed martial arts contests;

14 (9) The signature of the promoter and contestant;

15 (10) The date signed by both the promoter and the contestant; and

16 (11) Any information required by the office.

17 2. If the bout contract between a contestant and promoter is changed, the promoter shall
18 provide the division with the amended contract containing all contract changes at least two hours
19 prior to the event's scheduled start time. The amended contract shall comply with all requirements
20 for original bout contracts and shall contain the signature of the promoter and contestant.

21 3. A promoter of an event shall not be a manager for a contestant who is contracted for ten
22 rounds or more at the event.

23 4. The promoter of an event shall provide payments for the event official's fees to the office
24 prior to the start of the event. The form of payment shall be at the discretion of the office provided
25 that payments remitted by check or money order shall be made payable directly to the applicable
26 official."; and

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28 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
29 accordingly.
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