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(By Delegate Modesitt)

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AN ACT to amend and reenact sections one, six and twenty, article five-a, chapter twenty-nine of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to the state athletic commission; increasing the membership; raising fees to be paid to officials at athletic commission boxing events; and raising license fees for professional contestants, trainers, inspectors, referees and professional managers.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections one, six and twenty, article five-a, chapter twenty-nine of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 5A. STATE ATHLETIC COMMISSION.

§29-5A-1. Creation of commission; members; officers; seal and rules.

1 The state boxing commission, heretofore created, is hereby continued and renamed the state athletic commission. The commission shall consist of five persons appointed by the governor, by and with the consent of the Senate, no more than three of whom shall belong to the same political party and no
two of whom shall be residents of the same county at the same

time. The members shall serve without pay. The present

members and terms of the members of the state boxing com-

mission shall continue as the state athletic commission. At the

expiration of the term of each member, his or her successor

shall be appointed by the governor for a term of four years. In

the event of a vacancy in said board, said vacancy shall likewise

be filled by appointment by the governor and the governor shall

likewise have the power to remove any commissioner at his or

her pleasure. Any three members of the commission shall

constitute a quorum for the exercise of the power or authority

conferred upon it. The members of the commission shall at the

first meeting after their appointment elect one of their number

chairman of the commission, and another of their number

secretary of the commission, shall adopt a seal for the commis-

sion, and shall make such rules for the administration of their

office, not inconsistent herewith, as they may deem expedient;

and they may hereafter amend or abrogate such rules. The

concurrence of at least three commissioners shall be necessary
to render a choice or decision of the commission.

§29-5A-6. Payment of official in charge.

The deputy, inspector or other officials designated by the
commission to be in charge of a boxing event shall be paid by
the promoter at a rate of seventy-five dollars for each weigh-in
ceremony and seventy-five dollars for each day of bouts. If a
weigh-in occurs within three hours before the boxing bouts are
scheduled to begin, the deputy, inspector or other officials will
be paid only seventy-five dollars once for that particular night
or day’s events. Judges, timekeepers and inspectors shall be
paid by the promoter at a rate of fifty dollars per day. Referees
shall be paid by the promoter at a rate of seventy-five dollars
per day.

§29-5A-20. Licenses for contestants, referees and managers.

No professional contestant, trainer, inspector, referee or
professional manager is permitted to take part in any boxing
contest or exhibition unless holding a license from the state,
said license to be issued by the commission upon payment of
ten dollars a year. Such fees shall accompany the application and shall be in the form of a certified check or money order and shall be issued to the treasurer of the state of West Virginia to be deposited in the general fund. Should such license not be granted, the treasurer shall refund the full amount.
That Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

Chairman Senate Committee

Chairman House Committee

Originating in the House.

Takes effect ninety days from passage.

Clerk of the Senate

Clerk of the House of Delegates

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House of Delegates

The within approved this the 12th day of November, 1999.

Governor
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GOVERNOR
Date 3/10/49
Time 9:35 am