Sixty-second
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

SENATE BILL NO. 2286

Introduced by

Senators Sorvaag, Miller

Representative Boehning

A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 53-01-02, 53-01-07, and 53-01-09 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the duties of the state combative sports commissioner.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 53-01-02 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

53-01-02. Administration by secretary of state - Appointment of ~~athletic advisory board and mixed fighting style advisory board~~combative sports commission.

The secretary of state shall act as state ~~athletic~~combative sports commissioner and administer this chapter. The secretary of state may appoint ~~an athletic advisory board~~a combative sports commission to assist and advise the secretary of state in matters relating to the regulation of boxing, kickboxing, mixed fighting style competition, and sparring. The secretary of state also may appoint a mixed fighting style advisory board whose members may include one or more members of the athletic advisory board. The secretary of state shall define the duties of each board. Board members are not entitled to compensation, except for reimbursement for actual and necessary expenses at the same rate as allowed state employees incurred in performing their official duties.

SECTION 2. AMENDMENT. Section 53-01-07 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

53-01-07. Duties of state ~~athletic~~combative sports commissioner.

The secretary of state shall supervise all boxing, kickboxing, mixed fighting style competitions, or sparring exhibitions held in the state and may:

1. Adopt, at any time, combined rules governing the conduct of boxing, kickboxing, mixed fighting style competitions, and sparring exhibitions. In lieu of adopting combined rules the secretary of state may regulate the conduct of any boxing, kickboxing, mixed

fighting style, or sparring match, competition, or exhibition through the use of the most recent uniform rules of boxing and the unified rules of mixed martial arts published by the association of boxing commissions.

2. Establish license fees for all boxers, kickboxers, mixed style fighters, boxing, kickboxing, and mixed fighting style competition promoters, managers, judges, timekeepers, cornerpersons, knockdown counters, matchmakers, and referees or other participants.

3. Establish a fee based on the percentage of gross revenues from any boxing, kickboxing, mixed fighting style competition, or sparring exhibition held in this state to pay for the expenses of members of the ~~athletic advisory board or the mixed fighting style advisory board~~combative sports commission. A fee established under this subsection may not exceed three percent of the gross revenues of the exhibition from any and all sources including cable television and pay-per-view telecasts of the event, exclusive of any federal tax thereon, but in no event may the fee be less than five hundred dollars.

SECTION 3. AMENDMENT. Section 53-01-09 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

53-01-09. Fees paid into special fund - Continuing appropriation.

All fees collected by the secretary of state pursuant to this chapter must be deposited in a special fund maintained in the state treasury. All money deposited in the fund is appropriated as a continuing appropriation to the secretary of state for administering this chapter and for the compensation and expenses of members of the ~~athletic advisory board and the mixed fighting style advisory board~~combative sports commission.