

Introduced by

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1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 53-01-07 of the North Dakota Century Code,
2 relating to the commissioner of combative sports.

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 53-01-07 of the North Dakota Century Code is
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **53-01-07. Duties of state commissioner of combative sports.**

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

- 9 1. Adopt, at any time, combined rules governing the conduct of boxing, kickboxing, mixed
10 fighting style competitions, and sparring exhibitions. In lieu of adopting combined rules
11 the secretary of state may regulate the conduct of any boxing, kickboxing, mixed
12 fighting style, or sparring match, competition, or exhibition through the use of the most
13 recent uniform rules of boxing and the unified rules of mixed martial arts published by
14 the association of boxing commissions.
- 15 2. Establish license fees for all boxers, kickboxers, mixed style fighters, boxing,
16 kickboxing, and mixed fighting style competition promoters, managers, judges,
17 timekeepers, cornerpersons, knockdown counters, matchmakers, and referees or
18 other participants.
- 19 3. Establish a fee based on the percentage of gross revenues from any boxing,
20 kickboxing, mixed fighting style competition, or sparring exhibition held in this state to
21 pay for the expenses of members of the commission of combative sports. A fee
22 established under this subsection may not exceed ~~three~~the greater of five percent of
23 the gross revenues of the exhibition from any and all sources including cable television
24 and pay-per-view telecasts of the event, exclusive of any federal tax thereon, ~~but in no~~

- 1 ~~event may the fee be less than five hundred dollars or the actual cost incurred by the~~
2 ~~secretary of state to regulate the exhibition.~~
- 3 4. Adopt, at any time, rules allowing the secretary of state to perform screening tests for
4 controlled substances, as defined in section 19-03.1-01, on boxers, kickboxers, and
5 mixed style fighters participating in an exhibition.