

Senate Bill 336

By: Senators Butler of the 55th, Jones of the 10th, Stoner of the 6th, Ramsey, Sr. of the 43rd,
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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 4B of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the
2 Georgia Athletic and Entertainment Commission, so as to include the Georgia Boxing
3 Association as a recognized governing body for amateur boxing, wrestling, and martial arts;
4 to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for
5 other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Chapter 4B of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Georgia
9 Athletic and Entertainment Commission, is amended by revising paragraph (1) of Code
10 Section 43-4B-1, relating to definitions, as follows:

11 "(1) 'Amateur,' when applied to a person engaged in boxing, wrestling, or a martial art,
12 means a person who receives no compensation and engages in a match, contest, or
13 exhibition of boxing, wrestling, or a martial art that is governed or authorized by:

- 14 (A) U.S.A. Boxing;
- 15 (B) The Georgia High School Athletic Association;
- 16 (C) The National Collegiate Athletic Association;
- 17 (D) Amateur Athletic Union;
- 18 (E) Golden Gloves;
- 19 (F) Team Georgia Amateur Wrestling;
- 20 (G) USA Wrestling;
- 21 (H) National High School Coaches Association;
- 22 (I) North American Sport Karate Association;
- 23 (J) International Sport Kick Boxing/Karate Association;
- 24 (K) World Kick Boxing Association;
- 25 (L) United States Kick Boxing Association;
- 26 (M) International Sport Combat Federation;

27 (N) Professional Karate Commission;
 28 (O) International Kick Boxing Federation; ~~or~~
 29 (P) Georgia Boxing Association; or
 30 ~~(P)~~(Q) The local affiliate of any organization listed in this paragraph."

31 **SECTION 2.**

32 Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 43-4B-2, relating
 33 to application of chapter, as follows:

34 "(a) The provisions of this chapter shall not be construed to apply to any match, contest,
 35 or exhibition:

- 36 (1) In which the contestants are all amateurs; and
 37 (2) Which is governed or authorized by:
- 38 (A) U.S.A. Boxing;
 - 39 (B) The Georgia High School Athletic Association;
 - 40 (C) The National Collegiate Athletic Association;
 - 41 (D) Amateur Athletic Union;
 - 42 (E) Golden Gloves;
 - 43 (F) Team Georgia Amateur Wrestling;
 - 44 (G) USA Wrestling;
 - 45 (H) National High School Coaches Association;
 - 46 (I) North American Sport Karate Association;
 - 47 (J) International Sport Kick Boxing/Karate Association;
 - 48 (K) World Kick Boxing Association;
 - 49 (L) United States Kick Boxing Association;
 - 50 (M) International Sport Combat Federation;
 - 51 (N) Professional Karate Commission;
 - 52 (O) International Kick Boxing Federation; ~~or~~
 - 53 (P) Georgia Boxing Association; or
 - 54 ~~(P)~~(Q) The local affiliate of any organization listed in this paragraph."

55 **SECTION 3.**

56 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law
 57 without such approval.

58 **SECTION 4.**

59 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.