

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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AS PASSED SENATE

**A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT**

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

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

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SECTION 1.

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

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

15 (A) U.S.A. Boxing;

16 (B) The Georgia High School Athletic Association;

17 (C) The National Collegiate Athletic Association;

18 (D) Amateur Athletic Union;

19 (E) Golden Gloves;

20 (F) Team Georgia Amateur Wrestling;

21 (G) USA Wrestling;

22 (H) National High School Coaches Association;

23 (I) North American Sport Karate Association;

24 (J) International Sport Kick Boxing/Karate Association;

25 (K) World Kick Boxing Association;

26 (L) United States Kick Boxing Association;

27 (M) International Sport Combat Federation;

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

32 **SECTION 2.**

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

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

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

56 **SECTION 3.**

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

59 **SECTION 4.**

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