

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 59th Legislature (2024)

3 SENATE BILL 1230

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to amusements and sports; amending 3A  
8 O.S. 2021, Section 604.1, which relates to the  
9 Oklahoma State Athletic Commission; extending sunset  
date; providing an effective date; and declaring an  
emergency.

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12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

13 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 3A O.S. 2021, Section 604.1, is  
14 amended to read as follows:

15 Section 604.1. A. There is hereby re-created, until ~~July 1,~~  
16 ~~2024~~ July 1, 2027, in accordance with the Oklahoma Sunset Law, the  
17 Oklahoma State Athletic Commission, which shall be composed of nine  
18 (9) members appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of  
19 the Senate. The member of the Commission initially appointed  
20 pursuant to this act shall serve a term of three (3) years that  
21 shall expire on June 30, 2006. Members appointed to the Commission  
22 shall serve for terms of three (3) years. Terms of office shall  
23 expire on June 30. All vacancies and unexpired terms shall be  
24 filled in the same manner as the original appointment and within

1 sixty (60) days from the date of the vacancy. Members may be  
2 removed by the Governor for incompetence, willful neglect of duty,  
3 corruption in office, or malfeasance in office.

4 B. Members appointed to the Commission shall reside in this  
5 state and shall have the following qualifications:

6 1. Two members shall have experience as a professional  
7 combative sports practitioner, other than as a professional wrestler  
8 or in professional combative sports promotions;

9 2. One member shall have experience as a professional wrestler  
10 or in professional wrestling promotions;

11 3. One member shall have experience in sports medicine;

12 4. One member shall have experience in the cable television  
13 business; and

14 5. Four members shall represent the public at large as lay  
15 members.

16 C. No member of the Commission or any person related to a  
17 member within the third degree by consanguinity or affinity shall  
18 promote, sponsor, or have any financial interest in the promotion or  
19 sponsorship of any professional combative sports event or amateur  
20 mixed martial arts event while a member of the Commission.

21 D. The members of the Commission shall elect from their  
22 membership a chair and vice-chair to serve for one-year terms. A  
23 majority of the members shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of  
24 conducting the business of the Commission. The Commission shall

1 meet at least quarterly, and special meetings may be called by the  
2 chair.

3 E. The Commission shall comply with the provisions of the  
4 Oklahoma Open Meeting Act, the Oklahoma Open Records Act, and the  
5 Administrative Procedures Act.

6 F. All members of the Commission and such employees as  
7 determined by the Commission shall be bonded as required by Sections  
8 85.58Q through 85.58V of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

9 G. Members of the Commission shall serve without compensation  
10 but shall be reimbursed for expenses incurred in the performance of  
11 their duties as provided in the State Travel Reimbursement Act.

12 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2024.

13 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
14 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby  
15 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
16 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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