

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 313—ASSEMBLYMEN
MUNFORD; AND TROWBRIDGE

MARCH 16, 2015

Referred to Committee on Taxation

SUMMARY—Establishes an account for retired contestants who engaged in unarmed combat for remuneration. (BDR 41-932)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: Yes.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in ***bolded italics*** is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to unarmed combat; providing for the collection of additional fees on each ticket sold for admission to a live professional contest of unarmed combat to fund the payment of medical expenses for retired contestants; requiring the Nevada Athletic Commission to adopt regulations governing such payments; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law imposes certain fees on each ticket sold for admission to a live professional contest of unarmed combat and provides that the fees are to be used to award grants to organizations which promote amateur contests or exhibitions of unarmed combat, or to perform random drug testing of amateur and professional unarmed combatants. (NRS 467.108) This bill increases the required regular fee from \$1.00 to \$2.00 for each ticket sold if the gross receipts from admission fees to the contest of unarmed combat are \$500,000 or more and increases the alternate fee that may be charged in lieu of the regular fee from \$0.50 to \$1.00 for each ticket sold if the gross receipts are less than \$500,000. This bill also provides that the additional fees are required to be used by the Nevada Athletic Commission to assist with medical expenses for injuries sustained during the career of retired contestants who engaged in unarmed combat for remuneration. Finally, this bill requires the Commission to adopt regulations specifying the qualifications for applying for and receiving payments on such medical expenses.



THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. NRS 467.108 is hereby amended to read as follows:

467.108 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, in addition to the payment of any other fees or taxes required by this chapter, a promoter shall pay to the Commission a fee of ~~[\$1.00]~~ \$2 for each ticket sold for admission to a live professional contest of unarmed combat which is held in this State.

2. In lieu of the fee imposed pursuant to subsection 1, the Executive Director of the Commission may require a promoter to pay to the Commission a fee of ~~[\$0.50]~~ \$1 for each ticket sold for admission to a live professional contest of unarmed combat which is held in this State if the gross receipts from admission fees to the contest of unarmed combat are less than \$500,000.

3. ~~[[The]]~~ *Of the* money collected pursuant to subsections 1 and 2 :

(a) Fifty percent must be ~~used~~ accounted for separately in the State General Fund, administered by the Commission ~~;~~

~~—(a)— and used:~~

(1) To award grants to organizations which promote amateur contests or exhibitions of unarmed combat in this State;

~~[[b)]]~~ *(2) To perform random drug testing of amateur and professional unarmed combatants at any time, including, without limitation, during any period of training; or*

~~[[e)]]~~ *(3) For any combination of the purposes described in ~~[[paragraphs (a) and (b)]]~~ subparagraphs (1) and (2).*

(b) Fifty percent must be accounted for separately in the State General Fund, administered by the Commission and used to assist with the payment of medical expenses for injuries sustained during the career of a retired contestant.

4. The Commission shall adopt by regulation:

(a) The manner in which the fees required by subsections 1 and 2 must be paid.

(b) The manner in which applications for grants *or for payment of medical expenses* may be submitted to the Commission.

(c) The standards to be used to award grants to organizations which promote amateur contests or exhibitions of unarmed combat in this State.

(d) The qualifications for applying for and receiving payments to assist with medical expenses for injuries sustained during the career of a retired contestant.

Sec. 2. This act becomes effective upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting regulations and performing any other



- 1 preparatory administrative tasks necessary to carry out the
- 2 provisions of this act, and on January 1, 2016, for all other purposes.

