

CHAPTER 122

(House Bill 61)

AN ACT concerning

State Athletic Commission – Sunset Extension and Program Evaluation

FOR the purpose of continuing the State Athletic Commission in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to a certain date the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Commission; requiring that an evaluation of the Commission and the statutes and regulations that relate to the Commission be performed on or before a certain date; requiring the Commission to submit a certain report on or before a certain date; and generally relating to the State Athletic Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Regulation
Section 4–208
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2004 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 8–403(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2004 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 8–403(b)(5)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2004 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Business Regulation

4–208.

Subject to the evaluation and reestablishment provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act, this subtitle and Subtitle 3 of this title and all regulations

adopted under this subtitle and Subtitle 3 of this title shall terminate on July 1, [2011] **2021**.

Article – State Government

8–403.

(a) On or before December 15 of the 2nd year before the evaluation date of a governmental activity or unit, the Legislative Policy Committee, based on a preliminary evaluation, may waive as unnecessary the evaluation required under this section.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (a) of this section, on or before the evaluation date for the following governmental activities or units, an evaluation shall be made of the following governmental activities or units and the statutes and regulations that relate to the governmental activities or units:

(5) Athletic Commission, State (§ 4–201 of the Business Regulation Article: July 1, [2010] **2020**);

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, on or before October 1, 2013, the State Athletic Commission shall submit a report to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Economic Matters Committee, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, on the Commission's implementation of mixed martial arts regulation. The report shall include, at a minimum, the following data on mixed martial arts by fiscal year for fiscal years 2009 through 2013:

- (1) the number of licensees;
- (2) the number of shows;
- (3) any complaints regarding activities; and
- (4) the amount of revenue from the boxing and wrestling tax attributable to mixed martial arts events.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2009.

Approved by the Governor, April 14, 2009.