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BY: Environmental Matters Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1396

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 3, strike "to a" and substitute "<u>certain evidence of certain results of</u>"; in the same line, strike "test" and substitute "<u>tests</u>"; strike beginning with "prohibiting" in line 4 down through "ring" in line 6 and substitute "<u>providing that a boxer or kick boxer may enter the ring only under certain circumstances; requiring the Commission to keep certain information confidential; <u>establishing certain criminal penalties for certain violations</u>"; in line 7, after "requiring" insert "<u>boxers and kick boxers to submit certain results of</u>"; in the same line, strike "for boxers and kick boxers"; after line 7, insert:</u>

"BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article - Business Regulation

<u>Section 4-304</u>

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1992 Volume and 1995 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Business Regulation

Section 4-304.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1992 Volume and 1995 Supplement)";

and in line 10, strike "4-304 and".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, after line 28, insert:

"4-304.1.

(A) EACH APPLICANT FOR A LICENSE TO PARTICIPATE AS A BOXER OR KICK BOXER IN A CONTEST SHALL PRESENT DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE, SATISFACTORY TO THE COMMISSION, THAT:

(1) WITHIN THE PRIOR 30-DAY PERIOD, THE APPLICANT HAS BEEN TESTED FOR THE PRESENCE OF ANTIBODIES TO THE HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS (HIV) AND FOR THE PRESENCE OF THE ANTIGEN OF VIRUS HEPATITIS B; AND

(2) THE RESULTS OF BOTH TESTS ARE NEGATIVE.

- (B) WHENEVER DIRECTED BY THE COMMISSION, AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS LICENSED TO PARTICIPATE AS A BOXER OR KICK BOXER IN A CONTEST SHALL PRESENT DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE, SATISFACTORY TO THE COMMISSION, THAT:
- (1) WITHIN 30 DAYS PRIOR TO PARTICIPATING IN A CONTEST, THE INDIVIDUAL HAS BEEN TESTED FOR THE PRESENCE OF ANTIBODIES TO THE HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS (HIV) AND FOR THE PRESENCE OF THE ANTIGEN OF VIRUS HEPATITIS B; AND

(2) THE RESULTS OF BOTH TESTS ARE NEGATIVE.

(C) (1) IF THE COMMISSION DENIES A LICENSE, SUSPENDS, OR REVOKES A LICENSE, DENIES RENEWAL OF A LICENSE, OR DOES NOT ALLOW AN INDIVIDUAL TO PARTICIPATE IN A CONTEST BECAUSE OF THE FAILURE OF THE INDIVIDUAL TO COMPLY WITH THIS SECTION, THE COMMISSION SHALL KEEP THE INFORMATION CONFIDENTIAL AND MAY NOT DISCLOSE THE REASON FOR ITS ACTION.

(2) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO A FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$1,000 FOR THE FIRST OFFENSE AND NOT EXCEEDING \$5,000 FOR EACH SUBSEQUENT CONVICTION.";

strike beginning with "A" in line 21 down through "(C)" in line 27; and in lines 27 and 28, strike "AND BLOOD TESTS".

AMENDMENT NO. 3

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On page 2, strike in their entirety lines 3 through 5, inclusive, and substitute:

"(2) THE BOXER OR KICK BOXER HAS COMPLIED WITH \S 4-304.1 OF THIS SUBTITLE.".