

April 18, 2007

H 1786. PROHIBIT TOUGHMAN MATCHES. Filed 4/18/07. *TO PROHIBIT TOUGHMAN MATCHES IN NORTH CAROLINA.*

Amends GS 143-653 to prohibit promoting, conducting, or engaging in toughman matches. Makes conforming change to GS 143-652.1 (regulation of boxing).

Intro. by Bordsen.

GS 143

May 24, 2007

H 1786. REQ. LIABILITY INSURANCE/TOUGHMAN MATCHES (NEW). Filed 4/18/07. House committee substitute deletes the provisions of the 1st edition and replaces it with *AN ACT TO REQUIRE PROMOTERS OF TOUGHMAN MATCHES IN NORTH CAROLINA TO ACQUIRE LIABILITY INSURANCE.* Amends GS 143-654 to require toughman match promoters to acquire liability insurance for each individual participating in a toughman match in the amount of at least \$100,000 per occurrence. Makes a conforming change to GS 143-652.1.

May 24, 2007

H 1786. REQ. LIABILITY INSURANCE/TOUGHMAN MATCHES. Filed 4/18/07. House amendment makes the following changes to 2nd edition. Amends GS 143-654 to increase the minimum insurance coverage required of promoters for each individual participating in a toughman match from \$100,000 per occurrence to \$250,000 per occurrence.

July 31, 2007

H 1786. REGULATE MIXED MARTIAL ARTS/FEES (NEW). Filed 4/18/07. Senate committee substitute deletes all provisions of the 3rd edition and replaces it with *AN ACT TO DEFINE AND REGULATE MIXED MARTIAL ARTS, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE ALCOHOL LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CRIME CONTROL AND PUBLIC SAFETY TO ESTABLISH AND RAISE CERTAIN FEES.* Amends various statutes in Article 68 of GS Chapter 143, Regulation of Boxing, as follows. (1) Conforms and clarifies terminology to reflect that under current law, kickboxing and "toughman" matches are regulated. (2) Authorizes and regulates *mixed martial arts*, which are currently prohibited because they fall under the definition of prohibited *ultimate warrior matches*. Makes conforming changes by replacing the provisions relating to ultimate warrior matches with a prohibition against unauthorized *unarmed combat*. (3) Increases the minimum required surety bond for a licensed promoter from \$5,000 to \$10,000. (4) Increases all the license fees and permit fees in GS 143-655 by 50% and adds an admission fee of \$1.50 per ticket sold to attend regulated matches.

Requires the Alcohol Law Enforcement Division (ALE) to adopt permanent rules as soon as practicable to regulate mixed martial arts and prohibits ALE from issuing a license or permit for mixed martial arts until the rules become effective.

September 4, 2007

SL 2007-490 (H 1786). REGULATE MIXED MARTIAL ARTS/FEES. AN ACT TO DEFINE AND REGULATE MIXED MARTIAL ARTS, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE ALCOHOL LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CRIME CONTROL AND PUBLIC SAFETY TO ESTABLISH AND RAISE CERTAIN FEES. Summarized in *Daily Bulletin* 4/18/07, 5/24/07, and 7/31/07. Enacted August 30, 2007. Effective August 30, 2007.