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An Act to Amend Chapter 43 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Boxing Authority Act

CHAPTER 8
ACTS OF 2017

**AS ASSENTED TO BY THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE PROVINCE
OCTOBER 26, 2017**

The Honourable Leo A. Glavine
Minister of Communities, Culture and Heritage

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of the Revised Statutes, 1989,
the Boxing Authority Act**

Be it enacted by the Governor and Assembly as follows:

1 The title of Chapter 43 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the *Boxing Authority Act*, is amended by striking out “Boxing” in the second line and substituting “Combat Sports”.

2 Section 1 of Chapter 43 is amended by striking out “Boxing” in the first line and substituting “Combat Sports”.

3 Section 2 of Chapter 43 is amended by

(a) striking out “Boxing” in the first line of clause (a) and substituting “Combat Sports”;

(b) striking out clauses (b) to (f) and substituting the following clauses:

(b) “contest” means a contest or exhibition of professional boxing, professional mixed martial arts or any other professional combat sport that is designated by the regulations;

(c) “contestant” means an athlete who engages in a contest;

(c) striking out “boxing match” in the second line of clause (g) and substituting “contest”;

(d) striking out “boxing match or exhibition” in the fourth and fifth lines of clause (g) and substituting “contest”;

(e) striking out “to whom the Nova Scotia Sport and Recreation Commission reports” in the second and third lines of clause (h) and substituting “responsible for sport”;

(f) striking out “boxing” in the second line of clause (i) and substituting “combat sport”;

(g) striking out “boxer” in the second line of clause (j) and substituting “contestant”; and

(h) striking out “boxing contest or exhibition” in the last line of clause (l) and substituting “contest”.

4 (1) Subsection 3(1) of Chapter 43 is amended by striking out “Boxing” in the second line and substituting “Combat Sports”.

(2) Subsection 3(2) of Chapter 43 is repealed.

(3) Chapter 43 is further amended by adding immediately after Section 3 the following Section:

3A The Governor in Council may appoint one person who is not a member to be the Referee in Chief and Advisor to the Authority.

5 (1) Subsection 4(1) of Chapter 43 is repealed and the following subsections substituted:

(1) The Authority may appoint a Secretary-treasurer, Medical Adviser and such other officers and employees as may be required by the Authority for the proper conduct and management of the Authority.

(1A) Notwithstanding subsection (1), the Authority may, subject to the approval of the Minister, avail itself of the services of staff in the Minister's Department.

(2) Subsection 4(2) of Chapter 43 is amended by striking out "boxing contests or exhibitions" in the last two lines and substituting "contests".

(3) Subsection 4(3) of Chapter 43 is amended by striking out "Consolidated" in the last line and substituting "General Revenue".

6 Section 6 of Chapter 43 is amended by striking out "Consolidated" in the last line and substituting "General Revenue".

7 Subsection 7(2) of Chapter 43 is amended by

(a) striking out "boxing contest or exhibition" in the second line and substituting "contest"; and

(b) striking out "or exhibition" in the last line.

8 Section 9 of Chapter 43 is amended by

(a) striking out the first line and substituting "The Authority may";

(b) striking out "boxing" in the first line of clause (a) and substituting "contests";

(c) striking out "boxing" in the second line of clause (b) and substituting "contestants";

(d) striking out "boxing contests or exhibitions" in the second and third lines of clause (c) and substituting "contests"; and

(e) striking out "boxers" in the third line of clause (d) and substituting "contestants".

9 Section 10 of Chapter 43 is amended by

(a) striking out "boxers" in the first and second lines of clause (b) and substituting "contestants";

(b) striking out “boxers” in the second line of clause (g) and substituting “contestants”;

(c) striking out “boxers” in the second line of clause (h) and substituting “contestants”;

(d) striking out “boxing contest or exhibition” in the second line of clause (i) and substituting “contest”;

(e) striking out “boxers” in the second line of clause (j) and substituting “contestants”;

(f) striking out clause (l) and substituting the following clause:

(l) designating combat sports for the purpose of the definition of contest;

(g) striking out “closed circuit televised contest or exhibition” in the first and second lines of clause (n) and substituting “pay-per-view contest”; and

(h) striking out clause (o) and substituting the following clauses:

(o) concerning the medical examination of all contestants and the availability of medical assistance during any contest;

(p) governing the participation of amateur athletes in contests.

10 (1) Subsection 11(1) of Chapter 43 is amended by striking out “boxing contest or exhibition” in the second line and substituting “contest”.

(2) Subsection 11(2) of Chapter 43 is amended by striking out “boxing contest or exhibition” in the second line and substituting “contest”.

11 Section 15 of Chapter 43 is repealed.

12 Section 16 of Chapter 43 is amended by striking out “Sections 10 and 15” in the second and third lines and substituting “Section 10”.

13 This Act comes into force on such day as the Governor in Council orders and declares by proclamation.
