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HOUSE FILE 152

Place On Calendar

BY COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 24)

Passed House, Date 2/11/91 (p. 271) Passed Senate, Date 4/17/91 (p. 1312)  
Vote: Ayes 72 Nays 0 Vote: Ayes 49 Nays 0  
Approved May 8, 1991 (p. 2193)

*Repealed House per H-3742  
4/22/91 (p. 1434)  
Ses. 96, Page 1*

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2 athletic commissioner.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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5 state except as provided in this chapter. The commissioner  
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7 wrestling matches ~~except that a person shall not be issued a~~  
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9 ~~for at least three years immediately preceding the date of~~  
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11 ~~a license unless it has at least ten members and all members~~  
12 ~~shall have been residents of this state for at least one year~~  
13 ~~immediately preceding the date of application, and no~~  
14 ~~corporation shall be issued a license unless it has at least~~  
15 ~~ten members or stockholders and all such members or~~  
16 ~~stockholders shall have been residents of the state for at~~  
17 ~~least one year immediately preceding the date of application.~~  
18 ~~However, a license may be issued to residents of another state~~  
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20 ~~section if the other state extends the same privilege to~~  
21 ~~residents of this state.--Nothing in this chapter shall be~~  
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23 Every license shall be subject to such rules as the  
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25 Sec. 2. Section 90A.6, Code 1991, is amended to read as  
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6 therefor shall execute and file with the ~~treasurer-of-state~~  
7 athletic commissioner a bond in the sum of five thousand  
8 dollars, payable to the state of Iowa, ~~to-be-approved-as-to~~  
9 ~~form-by-the-attorney-general;~~ ~~and-as-to-sufficiency-of-the~~  
10 ~~sureties-thereon;~~ ~~by-the-commissioner;~~ which bond shall be  
11 conditioned upon the payment of the tax and penalties imposed  
12 by this chapter. Upon the filing and approval of such bond,  
13 the commissioner may issue to ~~such~~ the applicant a license as  
14 hereinafter provided.

15 EXPLANATION

16 Section 1 of the bill eliminates the residency requirements  
17 for boxing and wrestling license applicants.

18 Section 2 of the bill increases the required weight of  
19 boxing gloves from six to eight ounces.

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23 athletic commissioner rather than the state treasurer. This  
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HOUSE FILE 152

S-3318

1 Amend House File 152, as passed by the House, as  
2 follows:  
3 1. Page 1, by inserting before line 1 the  
4 following:  
5 "Section 1. Section 90A.1, Code 1991, is amended  
6 to read as follows:  
7 90A.1 DEFINITION.  
8 As used in this chapter, "boxing or wrestling  
9 match" means a boxing, wrestling, or sparring contest  
10 or exhibition open to the public or a closed-circuit  
11 boxing or wrestling match for which admission for  
12 viewing in this state is charged, for which the  
13 principals or contestants are paid for their  
14 participation."

15 2. Page 2, by inserting before line 1 the  
16 following:  
17 "Sec. \_\_\_\_ . Section 90A.7, subsection 1, Code 1991,  
18 is amended to read as follows:

19 1. Every person conducting a boxing or wrestling  
20 ~~match or charging an admission fee for viewing of a~~  
21 ~~closed-circuit boxing or wrestling match~~ in this state  
22 shall, within twenty-four hours after such match,  
23 furnish to the commissioner a written report, duly  
24 verified, showing the number of tickets sold for such  
25 boxing or wrestling match, and the amount of gross  
26 proceeds of such boxing or wrestling match, and such  
27 other matters as the commissioner may prescribe; and  
28 shall also within the same time period pay to the  
29 treasurer of state a tax of five percent of its total  
30 gross receipts, after deducting state sales tax, from  
31 the sale of tickets of admission to such boxing or  
32 wrestling match."

33 3. By renumbering as necessary.

By COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT  
JOHN P. KIBBIE, Chairperson

S-3318 FILED APRIL 4, 1991

*Adopted 4/17/91 (S 1318)*

HOUSE FILE 152

S-3379

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2 follows:  
3 1. Page 1, by inserting after line 35, the  
4 following:  
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6 recognized national or world boxing organization which  
7 sanctions a boxing match in this state to regulate the  
8 match, if the organization's rules provide protection  
9 to the boxers participating in the match which is  
10 equal to or greater than the protections provided by  
11 this chapter or by rules otherwise adopted pursuant to  
12 this chapter. As used in this paragraph, "recognized  
13 national or world boxing organization" includes, but  
14 is not limited to, the international boxing  
15 federation, the world boxing association, and the  
16 world boxing council."

By WALLY HORN

S-3379 FILED APRIL 10, 1991

SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE FILE 152

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47 4. By renumbering, relettering, or redesignating  
48 and correcting internal references as necessary.

RECEIVED FROM THE SENATE

H-3742 FILED APRIL 21, 1991

House concurred 4/22/91 (p 1434)

Sub-Committee: STATE AGENCY ORGANIZATION

Connors, Chair; Garman,  
Knapp, Kresbach, Mike Peterson

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STATE GOVERNMENT

SENATE/HOUSE FILE 152

BY (PROPOSED DEPARTMENT OF  
EMPLOYMENT SERVICES BILL)

Passed Senate, Date \_\_\_\_\_ Passed House, Date \_\_\_\_\_

Vote: Ayes \_\_\_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_\_\_ Vote: Ayes \_\_\_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_\_\_

Approved \_\_\_\_\_

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#### BACKGROUND STATEMENT

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#### SUBMITTED BY THE AGENCY

28     Section 1 eliminates the residency requirements to promote  
29 activity in Iowa.

30     Section 2 increases the weight of boxing gloves to at least  
31 eight ounces. Eight ounces provides more padding and  
32 protection to the boxers.

33     Section 3 requires a boxing license applicant to file a  
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HOUSE FILE 152

AN ACT

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Sec. 4. Section 90A.7, subsection 1, Code 1981, is amended to read as follows:

1. Every person conducting a boxing or wrestling match or charging an admission fee for viewing an enclosed circuit boxing or wrestling match in this state shall, within twenty-four hours after such match, furnish to the commissioner a written report, duly verified, showing the number of tickets sold for such boxing or wrestling match, and the amount of gross proceeds of such boxing or wrestling match, and such other matters as the commissioner may prescribe and shall also within the same time period pay to the treasurer of state a tax of five percent of its total gross receipts, after deduction of state sales tax, from the sale of tickets of admission to such boxing or wrestling match.

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by this chapter. Upon the filing and approval of such bond, the commissioner may issue to such the applicant a license as herein provided.

ROBERT C. ARNOOLD  
Speaker of the House

JOE E. STUBB  
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 152, Twenty-fourth General Assembly.

JUSHEE CREECH  
Clerk of the House

Approved May 8, 1951

DEPPY F. BEANS  
Governor