

State of Arkansas

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HOUSE BILL 1503

By: Representative Wilson

"AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS STATUTE 84-2911 PERTAINING TO THE
LICENSING OF CIVIC CLUBS TO CONDUCT WRESTLING, BOXING,
SPARRING, KARATE OR JUDO MATCHES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Section 1 of Act 463 of 1965, as amended, the same being Arkansas Statute 84-2911, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 1. If no local patriotic organization located within a city of the first class has obtained a license to conduct wrestling, boxing, sparring, karate or judo matches as authorized by law, any duly chartered civic club within a city of the first class may obtain a license to promote and conduct within such city wrestling, boxing, sparring, karate, judo or combination matches and exhibitions, for purses, and to charge admission fees therefor, subject to the rules and regulations of the State Athletic Commission, and in compliance with laws relating thereto."

SECTION 2. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. Emergency. It is hereby found and determined by the General Assembly that the present laws pertaining to the licensing of wrestling, boxing, sparring, karate or judo matches within cities in this State need clarification with respect to such matches in cities of the first class, and that the immediate passage of this Act is necessary to clarify said laws and to protect the public peace, health, and safety with respect to such matches and exhibitions held in cities of the first class. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act, being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety, shall

be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.