

HR 1281

Professional Boxing Amendments Act of 2003

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 14, 2003
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 24, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Sports and Recreation

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Professional Boxing Amendments Act of 2003 - Amends the Professional Boxing Safety Act of 1996 to: (1) authorize a tribal organization to establish a boxing commission to regulate professional matches on Indian land and to implement professional boxing requirements at least as restrictive as the State's requirements or United States Boxing Administration (USBA) guidelines; (2) prohibit any person from arranging, promoting, organizing, producing, or fighting in a match within the United States unless the match is approved by the USBA and supervised by the Association of Boxing Commission (ABC); (3) require pre-fight physical examinations to test for infectious diseases and to require the presence during any match of an ambulance and emergency medical personnel with resuscitation equipment; (4) require a boxing commission to make a health and safety disclosure to a boxer when issuing an identification card and to establish procedures for review of a summary suspension when a hearing is requested which provide an opportunity for a person to present evidence; (5) require USBA to develop guidelines for boxing contracting requirements and for rating professional boxers; (6) require the sanctioning organization for a match and its promoter to disclose charges, fees, and contractual agreements within seven days of a match of 10 rounds or more; (7) prohibit a promoter from arranging a championship match or a match scheduled for 10 rounds or more unless all participating judges and referees have been licensed by USBA; (8) require USBA to maintain a comprehensive medical registry for every licensed boxer; and (9) apply conflict-of-interest provisions to USBA officers and employees.

Establishes USBA as an administration of the Department of Labor to: (1) protect the health, safety, and general interests of boxers and to ensure uniformity, fairness, and integrity in professional boxing; (2) establish standards for, and issue, suspend, and revoke, boxing licenses; and (3) maintain a national computerized registry of boxing personnel.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 14, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Workforce Protections.
- **Mar 24, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Chairman.
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