

FINAL BILL REPORT

HB 2119

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Abolishing the state professional athletic commission.

By Representatives Dunshee, Lemmon and Wolfe; by request of Office of Financial Management.

House Committee on Appropriations

Background: The Professional Athletic Commission is composed of three members appointed by the governor. The commission regulates professional boxing (sumo, judo, karate, and fisticuffs) and wrestling events in Washington State, including the granting and revocation of licenses.

Summary: The Professional Athletic Commission is abolished. Its powers, duties, and functions are transferred to the Department of Licensing (DOL). All records or written material, office property, funds or other assets, and employees of the commission are transferred to DOL. The director of the Office of Financial Management is to resolve any questions relating to apportionments of budget funds arising during the transfer.

The director of the Department of Licensing is given broad authority to administer athletic licensing laws including the ability to issue subpoenas, conduct investigations, suspend licenses, and adopt standards of professional conduct and practice.

Votes on Final Passage:

House	94	1
Senate	39	5

Effective: July 1, 1993