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STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 107TH LEGISLATURE

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 388, L. D. 480, Bill, "AN ACT to Clarify Certain Laws Relating to Boxing."

Amend said Bill by inserting before the enacting clause the following:

'Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the Maine State Boxing Commission has jurisdiction over all boxing contests, including those that might be conducted by schools and colleges; and

Whereas, certain schools in the State wish to conduct training and contests in boxing as part of their athletic program and such training and contests would be better supervised by the schools than by the Maine State Boxing Commission; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,'

Further amend said Bill in section 1 by inserting before the underlined word "cause" in the last line the underlined word 'just'

Further amend said Bill by striking out in the 2nd line (same in L.D.) of paragraph A of subsection 1 of that part designated "§106." of section 4 the underlined letters "AAU" and inserting in place thereof the underlined words 'Amateur Athletic Union'

Further amend said Bill by inserting before the last 2 paragraphs of section 4 the following subsection 2:

'2. Exception. All amateur intercollegiate, interscholastic or intramural boxing contests and exhibitions under the direct auspices of schools, colleges or universities shall be exempt from the jurisdiction of the commission.'

Further amend said Bill by inserting before the Statement of Fact the following:

'Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.'

Statement of Fact

The purposes of this amendment are to add an exception from the Boxing Commission's jurisdiction for schools by giving the schools the same jurisdiction over such contests as they have over other athletic contests, to add an emergency preamble and emergency clause to give immediate effect to this exemption for contests scheduled for this spring, to clarify the Governor's power of removal of commission members by specifying "just" cause and to clarify the wording of the bill.

Reported by the Committee on Business Legislation.

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