

## **RESOLUTION 2011-78**

### **A RESOLUTION ADOPTING AN EMERGENCY RULE REGARDING REGULATION OF PROFESSIONAL BOXING, SPARRING, AND UNARMED COMBAT**

The Indiana Gaming Commission (“Gaming Commission”) adopts the following resolution pursuant to the authority granted to it under IC 4-33.

The Commission has considered the following factors:

1. Pursuant to IC 4-33-4 and IC 4-22-2-37.1, the Commission has the authority to adopt emergency rules.
2. IC 4-33-4-3(a)(8) authorizes the Commission to adopt emergency rules if the Commission determines that; (1) the need for a rule is so immediate and substantial that rulemaking procedures under IC 4-22-2-13 through IC 4-22-2-36 are inadequate to address the need; and (2) an emergency rule is likely to address the need.
3. House Enrolled Act 1086 transferred the powers and duties of the regulation of boxing, sparring, and unarmed combat from the State Athletic Commission (“Athletic Commission”) to the Gaming Commission, effective July 1, 2010. In 2010, the Commission adopted emergency rules regarding the regulation of professional boxing, sparring, and unarmed combat.
4. The Commission has determined that substantive changes to those rules are necessary to allow the Gaming Commission to continue to regulate professional boxing, sparring, and unarmed combat effectively; specifically, this emergency rule streamlines professional fighter application requirements, establishes guidelines regarding professional fighter status, outlines rules for pankration, updates drug testing requirements, and makes necessary technical corrections.
5. The Commission finds that the need for an emergency rule regarding the regulation of professional boxing, sparring, and unarmed combat is immediate and substantial such that rulemaking procedures under IC 4-22-2-24 and IC 4-22-2-36 are inadequate to address the need.
6. While the emergency rule is in effect, the Commission will proceed with the non-emergency promulgation process, including IC 4-22-2-24 through IC 4-22-2-36.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE INDIANA GAMING COMMISSION, THAT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED:**

#### **SECTION 1: SCOPE**

This resolution applies to the Indiana Gaming Commission and all licensees, or applicants for a license, under IC 4-33-22.

#### **SECTION 2: DEFINITIONS**

The definitions set forth in IC 4-33-22 apply to this resolution.

**SECTION 3: ADOPTION OF THE EMERGENCY RULE**

Pursuant to IC 4-22-2-37.1, the Commission adopts the attached rule as an emergency rule for the initial ninety (90) day period, as well as for the optional ninety (90) day extension period. The Commission shall file the proposed emergency rule and submit it for publication with the Legislative Services Agency. The Commission further adopts any stylistic, grammatical, typographical, or other non-substantive changes that the Commission or the Legislative Services Agency may make to this emergency rule. The Commission shall file the proposed emergency rule and submit it for publication with the Legislative Services Agency.

**SECTION 4: EFFECTIVE DATE**

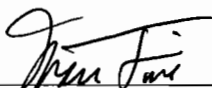
The emergency rule adopted in Section 3 of this resolution is to become effective upon filing with the Publisher.

**ADOPTED THIS THE 17<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2011.**

THE INDIANA GAMING COMMISSION:

  
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Timothy Murphy, Chair

ATTEST:

  
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Marc Fine, Secretary