

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. ROZIC -- read once and referred to the Committee on Tourism, Parks, Arts and Sports Development

AN ACT to amend the general business law, in relation to including the promotion and expansion of cricket in the state of New York to the jurisdiction of the state athletic commission

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. The article heading of article 41 of the general business  
2 law, as added by chapter 32 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as  
3 follows:

4 [~~COMBATIVE~~] SPORTS

5 § 2. Subdivision 1 of section 1003 of the general business law, as  
6 added by chapter 32 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:

7 1. The state athletic commission, as named by chapter nine hundred  
8 twelve of the laws of nineteen hundred twenty, as amended by chapter six  
9 hundred three of the laws of nineteen hundred eighty-one, is continued  
10 as a division of the department of state. The commission shall act in  
11 the best interests of combative sports and promote certain additional  
12 sports in the state. The commission is enacted: (a) to protect the  
13 health, safety and general welfare of all participants in combative  
14 sports and spectators thereof, (b) to preserve the integrity of comba-  
15 tive sports through the means of licensing, oversight, enforcement and  
16 the authorization of sanctioning entities, [~~and~~] (c) to facilitate the  
17 development and responsible conduct of combative sports throughout the  
18 entire state, and (d) to promote and expand the game of cricket in the  
19 state of New York. The commission shall consist of five members who  
20 shall be appointed by the governor by and with the advice and consent of  
21 the senate. One member of the commission shall have experience and  
22 expertise in the game of cricket. The governor shall designate one of  
23 the members as chairperson of the commission. The members of the commis-  
24 sion shall be appointed for terms of three years. Any vacancy in the  
25 membership of the commission caused otherwise than by expiration of term  
26 shall be filled only for the balance of the term of the member in whose  
27 position the vacancy occurs.

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets  
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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1 § 3. Section 1004 of the general business law, as added by chapter 32  
2 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:

3 § 1004. Jurisdiction of the commission. 1. The commission shall have  
4 and is hereby vested with the sole direction, management, control and  
5 jurisdiction over: [~~1-~~] (a) all authorized combative sports;

6 [~~2-~~] (b) all licenses or permits granted by the commission to any and  
7 all persons or entities who participate in authorized combative sports;

8 [~~3-~~] (c) all determinations regarding the authorization of amateur and  
9 professional sanctioning entities;

10 [~~4-~~] (d) all gyms, clubs, training camps and other organizations that  
11 maintain training facilities to prepare persons for participation in  
12 authorized professional combative sports;

13 [~~5-~~] (e) the promotion of professional wrestling exhibitions to the  
14 extent provided for in this article; and

15 [~~6-~~] (f) all contracts directly related to the conduct of authorized  
16 professional combative sports in the state of New York.

17 [~~7-~~] (g) All disclosures to the commission shall be deemed confiden-  
18 tial.

19 2. The commission shall have and is hereby vested with jurisdiction  
20 over the promotion and expansion of the game of cricket in the state of  
21 New York.

22 § 4. This act shall take effect immediately.