STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

January 7, 2022

Introduced by Sen. THOMAS -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

AN ACT to amend the general business law, in relation to the jurisdiction of the state athletic commission; and to amend the economic development law, in relation to the authorization of the department of economic development to give a preference to any tourist promotion agency that is promoting the sport of cricket

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

Section 1. Section 1004 of the general business law, as amended by a chapter of the laws of 2021 amending the general business law relating to including the promotion and expansion of cricket in the state of New York to the jurisdiction of the state athletic commission, as proposed in legislative bills numbers S.146 and A.479, is amended to read as follows:

§ 1004. Jurisdiction of the commission. [~~1.~~] The commission shall have and is hereby vested with the sole direction, management, control and jurisdiction over:

[~~(a)~~] 1. all authorized combative sports;

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

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

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

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

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

[~~(g)~~] 7. All disclosures to the commission shall be deemed confidential.

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

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[~~2. The commission shall have and is hereby vested with jurisdiction over the promotion and expansion of the game of cricket in the state of New York.~~]

§ 2. Subdivision (a) of section 161 of the economic development law, as amended by chapter 465 of the laws of 1981, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Encourage, facilitate and coordinate the planning and implementation of programs to advertise, stimulate, promote and increase tourist travel, resort, vacation, culture and convention activities within the state and its regions with such flexibility as to bring about as effective and economical a tourist promotion plan as possible**. The department shall give a preference to any tourist promotion agency that is promoting the sport of cricket**;

§ 3. This act shall take effect on the same date and in the same manner as a chapter of the laws of 2021 amending the general business law relating to including the promotion and expansion of cricket in the state of New York to the jurisdiction of the state athletic commission, as proposed in legislative bills numbers S.146 and A.479; provided, however, that section two of this act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after it shall have become a law.