

**Introduced by Senator Hill**

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An act to amend Sections 18602 and 18613 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to professions and vocations.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 469, as introduced, Hill. State Athletic Commission.

Under existing law, the State Athletic Commission Act, the State Athletic Commission has jurisdiction over all professional and amateur boxing, professional and amateur kickboxing, all forms and combinations of forms of full contact martial arts contests, including mixed martial arts, and matches or exhibitions conducted, held, or given within this state. Existing law requires the commission to appoint an executive officer. Existing law repeals these provisions establishing the commission and authorizing it to appoint an executive officer on January 1, 2016.

This bill would extend the repeal date to January 1, 2020.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 18602 of the Business and Professions
- 2 Code is amended to read:
- 3 18602. (a) Except as provided in this section, there is in the
- 4 Department of Consumer Affairs the State Athletic Commission,
- 5 which consists of seven members. Five members shall be appointed
- 6 by the Governor, one member shall be appointed by the Senate

1 Rules Committee, and one member shall be appointed by the  
2 Speaker of the Assembly.

3 The members of the commission appointed by the Governor are  
4 subject to confirmation by the Senate pursuant to Section 1322 of  
5 the Government Code.

6 No person who is currently licensed, or who was licensed within  
7 the last two years, under this chapter may be appointed or  
8 reappointed to, or serve on, the commission.

9 (b) In appointing commissioners under this section, the  
10 Governor, the Senate Committee on Rules, and the Speaker of the  
11 Assembly shall make every effort to ensure that at least four of  
12 the members of the commission shall have experience and  
13 demonstrate expertise in one of the following areas:

14 (1) A licensed physician or surgeon having expertise or  
15 specializing in neurology, neurosurgery, head trauma, or sports  
16 medicine. Sports medicine includes, but is not limited to,  
17 physiology, kinesiology, or other aspects of sports medicine.

18 (2) Financial management.

19 (3) Public safety.

20 (4) Past experience in the activity regulated by this chapter,  
21 either as a contestant, a referee or official, a promoter, or a venue  
22 operator.

23 (c) Each member of the commission shall be appointed for a  
24 term of four years. All terms shall end on January 1. Vacancies  
25 occurring prior to the expiration of the term shall be filled by  
26 appointment for the unexpired term. No commission member may  
27 serve more than two consecutive terms.

28 (d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter,  
29 members first appointed shall be subject to the following terms:

30 (1) The Governor shall appoint two members for two years, two  
31 members for three years, and one member for four years.

32 (2) The Senate Committee on Rules shall appoint one member  
33 for four years.

34 (3) The Speaker of the Assembly shall appoint one member for  
35 four years.

36 (e) (1) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1,  
37 ~~2016~~, 2020, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted  
38 statute, that is enacted before January 1, ~~2016~~, 2020, deletes or  
39 extends that date.

1 (2) Notwithstanding any other law, the repeal of this section  
2 renders the board subject to review by the appropriate policy  
3 committees of the Legislature.

4 SEC. 2. Section 18613 of the Business and Professions Code  
5 is amended to read:

6 18613. (a) (1) The commission shall appoint a person exempt  
7 from civil service who shall be designated as an executive officer  
8 and who shall exercise the powers and perform the duties delegated  
9 by the commission and vested in him or her by this chapter. The  
10 appointment of the executive officer is subject to the approval of  
11 the Director of Consumer Affairs.

12 (2) The commission may employ in accordance with Section  
13 154 other personnel as may be necessary for the administration of  
14 this chapter.

15 (b) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, ~~2016,~~  
16 ~~2020~~, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute,  
17 that is enacted before January 1, ~~2016,~~ ~~2020~~, deletes or extends  
18 that date.

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