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House of Representatives, April 9, 2013

An Act To Temporarily Restore Boxing Rules

(AFTER DEADLINE)

(EMERGENCY)

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

Reference to the Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development suggested and ordered printed.

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Clerk

Presented by Representative GILLWAY of Searsport.
Cosponsored by Senator THIBODEAU of Waldo and
Representatives: GIFFORD of Lincoln, GOODE of Bangor, McCABE of Skowhegan, PARRY
of Arundel, PEASE of Morrill, POWERS of Naples, VEROW of Brewer, WERTS of Auburn.

1 **Emergency preamble. Whereas,** acts and resolves of the Legislature do not
2 become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

3 **Whereas,** the Combat Sports Authority of Maine has not yet adopted rules
4 governing boxing; and

5 **Whereas,** there is interest in holding boxing competitions in the State in the near
6 future; and

7 **Whereas,** in order to allow boxing competitions to take place, it is necessary to
8 ensure that rules are in place immediately; and

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

13 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

14 **Sec. 1. Rules.** Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the rules and
15 procedures concerning boxing that were in effect, in operation or adopted in or by the
16 former Maine Athletic Commission on June 30, 2008 are hereby declared in effect and
17 the Combat Sports Authority of Maine shall enforce those rules and procedures until the
18 rules or procedures are rescinded, revised or amended by the Combat Sports Authority of
19 Maine pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 8, chapter 20.

20 **Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this
21 legislation takes effect when approved.

22 **SUMMARY**

23 This bill provides that the rules and procedures concerning boxing that were in effect
24 under the former Maine Athletic Commission on June 30, 2008 are in effect and the
25 Combat Sports Authority of Maine is required to enforce those rules and procedures until
26 the rules or procedures are rescinded, revised or amended by the Combat Sports
27 Authority of Maine.