

229.171 Commission to control and manage unarmed combat shows -- Administrative regulations -- Development of regulatory programs and procedures.

- (1) The commission is vested with the sole direction, management, control, and jurisdiction over all unarmed combat shows to be conducted, held, or given within the Commonwealth. The commission is hereby given the sole control, authority, and jurisdiction over all licenses to:
 - (a) Hold unarmed combat shows for prizes or purses or where an admission fee or donation is received, or a ticket or invitation is required to attend; and
 - (b) Participate in the unarmed combat shows.
- (2) The commission may promulgate administrative regulations it considers necessary or expedient for the performance of its functions provided in this chapter. In recognition of the fact that more supervision is desirable in this area, it is the intention of the General Assembly to confer upon the commission wider discretion than that ordinarily possessed by administrative agencies.
- (3) The commission shall be responsible for the following:
 - (a) Developing programs and procedures that will aggressively fulfill its oversight and regulatory role, with full accountability and internal controls to protect athletes in the ring;
 - (b) Adhering to the best regulatory practices and due process procedures to protect the regulated community and the interests of the Commonwealth, and ensuring that all education and training requirements for hearing officers and members serving as hearing officers under KRS Chapter 13B are met;
 - (c) Developing the Commonwealth's goals of providing the professional staff necessary to ensure that events are effectively regulated, while allowing commission members to provide the policy oversight necessary to protect the integrity of the regulatory program; and
 - (d) Recommending changes to statutory and regulatory authorities to best protect athletes, while Promoting Kentucky as a world-class market for major events.

Effective: June 29, 2017

History: Amended 2017 Ky. Acts ch. 70, sec. 14, effective June 29, 2017. -- Amended 2008 Ky. Acts ch. 91, sec. 17, effective July 15, 2008. -- Amended 2005 Ky. Acts ch. 11, sec. 6, effective June 20, 2005. -- Amended 1992 Ky. Acts ch. 286, sec. 8, effective July 14, 1992. -- Created 1964 Ky. Acts ch. 170, sec. 5.