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TO: Honorable Troy Fraser, Chair, Senate Committee on Business & Commerce

FROM: John S. O'Brien, Deputy Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB796 by Lucio (Relating to the combative sports program.), As Introduced

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Occupations Code by defining combative sports terms relating to the Combative Sports Program in the Department of Licensing and Regulation (TDLR), such as "amateur", "amateur combative sports association", and "contest". The bill would define "combative sports" to include boxing, kickboxing, martial arts, and mixed martial arts, where participants voluntarily engage in full contact to score points, to cause an opponent to submit, or to disable an opponent in a contest, match, or exhibition.

The bill states that an elimination tournament and wrestling promoter registration and application may not be conducted in this state by repealing Sections 2052.103, 2052.105, 2052.106, and Subchapter E, Chapter 2052, of the Occupations Code. According to TDLR, the provisions of this bill would have no significant fiscal impact.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2005.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 452 Department of Licensing and Regulation

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