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H.B. No. 3206

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the composition of the combative sports advisory board.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 2052.055, Occupations Code, is amended by amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

(b) If the commission elects to appoint an advisory board, the commission shall appoint a nine-member board composed of the following:

(1) three physicians;

(2) one chiropractor;

(3) one representative of a boxing promoter;

(4) one representative of a mixed martial arts promoter;

(5) one combative sports referee or judge, licensed at least three years;

(6) one former combative sports contestant; and

(7) one member of the public.

(c) If the commission appoints an advisory board, the commission by rule shall establish:

(1) ~~the number of board members,~~

~~(2)~~ qualifications for appointment to the board; and

(2) ~~(3)~~ the purpose and duties of the board.

SECTION 2. The changes in law made by this Act to Section

1 2052.055, Occupations Code, regarding the composition of the
2 combative sports advisory board, do not affect the entitlement of a
3 member who is not a physician and who is serving on the advisory
4 board to continue to serve and function as a member of the advisory
5 board for the remainder of the member's term as established by the
6 Texas Commission of Licensing and Regulation. If more than three
7 physicians are serving on the advisory board immediately before the
8 effective date of this Act, the commission must replace a physician
9 member with a chiropractic member on that date. As other vacancies
10 occur on the advisory board on or after the effective date of this
11 Act, the presiding officer of the commission, with the approval of
12 the other commission members, shall appoint members to the advisory
13 board in a manner consistent with the changes in law made by this
14 Act.

15 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.