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S.B. No. 1270

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the eligibility of certain events to receive funding
3 through the Major Events Reimbursement Program.

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

5 SECTION 1. Sections 5A(a)(4) and (5), Chapter 1507 (S.B.
6 456), Acts of the 76th Legislature, Regular Session, 1999 (Article
7 [5190.14](#), Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), are amended to read as
8 follows:

9 (4) "Event" means a Super Bowl, a National Collegiate
10 Athletic Association Final Four tournament game, the National
11 Basketball Association All-Star Game, the X Games, the National
12 Hockey League All-Star Game, the Major League Baseball All-Star
13 Game, a game of the National Collegiate Athletic Association Bowl
14 Championship Series or its successor or a National Collegiate
15 Athletic Association Division I Football Bowl Subdivision
16 postseason playoff or championship game, the National Collegiate
17 Athletic Association men's or women's lacrosse championships, a
18 World Cup Soccer game, the World Cup soccer tournament, the Major
19 League Soccer All-Star Game, the Major League Soccer Cup, the
20 Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association National Finals Rodeo, an
21 Elite Rodeo Association World Championship, the United States Open
22 Championship, the World Games, a national collegiate championship
23 of an amateur sport sanctioned by the national governing body of the
24 sport that is recognized by the United States Olympic Committee, an

1 Olympic activity, including a Junior or Senior activity, training
2 program, or feeder program sanctioned by the United States Olympic
3 Committee's Community Olympic Development Program, the Amateur
4 Athletic Union Junior Olympic Games, a mixed martial arts
5 championship, the Breeders' Cup World Championships, a Formula One
6 automobile race, the Moto Grand Prix of the United States, the
7 National Association for Stock Car Auto Racing (NASCAR) All-Star
8 Race, the season-ending Championship Race for the National
9 Association for Stock Car Auto Racing (NASCAR), the Academy of
10 Country Music Awards, the National Cutting Horse Association Triple
11 Crown, a world-renowned exhibition or festival chronicling the life
12 of Nelson Mandela that is recognized by the International World
13 Exhibition & Festival Organization, a national political
14 convention of the Republican National Committee or the Democratic
15 National Committee, a presidential general election debate, or the
16 largest event held each year at a sports entertainment venue in this
17 state with a permanent seating capacity, including grandstand and
18 premium seating, of not less than 125,000. The term includes any
19 activities related to or associated with an event.

20 (5) "Site selection organization" means:

21 (A) the National Football League, the National
22 Collegiate Athletic Association, the National Basketball
23 Association, ESPN or an affiliate, the National Hockey League,
24 Major League Baseball, the Federation Internationale de Football
25 Association (FIFA), the International World Games Association, the
26 National Association for Stock Car Auto Racing (NASCAR), Dorna
27 Sports, the Amateur Athletic Union, the Professional Rodeo Cowboys

1 Association, the Elite Rodeo Association, Major League Soccer, the
2 United States Golf Association, or the United States Olympic
3 Committee;

4 (B) the national governing body of a sport that
5 is recognized by the United States Olympic Committee, the National
6 Thoroughbred Racing Association, Formula One Management Limited,
7 or the Federation Internationale de l'Automobile;

8 (C) the Academy of Country Music;

9 (D) the National Cutting Horse Association;

10 (E) the International World Exhibition &
11 Festival Organization;

12 (F) [~~(F)~~] the Republican National Committee or
13 the Democratic National Committee;

14 (G) [~~(F)~~] the Ultimate Fighting Championship; or

15 (H) [~~(G)~~] the Commission on Presidential
16 Debates.

17 SECTION 2. Section 5A, Chapter 1507 (S.B. 456), Acts of the
18 76th Legislature, Regular Session, 1999 (Article 5190.14, Vernon's
19 Texas Civil Statutes), is amended by amending Subsection (a-1) and
20 adding Subsection (a-5) to read as follows:

21 (a-1) An event not listed in Subsection (a)(4) of this
22 section is ineligible for funding under this section. A listed
23 event may receive funding through the Major Events Reimbursement
24 Program under this section only if:

25 (1) a site selection organization selects a site
26 located in this state for the event to be held one time or, for an
27 event scheduled to be held each year for a period of years under an

1 event contract, or an event support contract, one time each year for
2 the period of years, after considering, through a highly
3 competitive selection process, one or more sites that are not
4 located in this state;

5 (2) a site selection organization selects a site in
6 this state as:

7 (A) the sole site for the event; or

8 (B) the sole site for the event in a region
9 composed of this state and one or more adjoining states;

10 (3) the event is held not more than one time in any
11 year;

12 (4) the amount of the incremental increase in tax
13 receipts determined by the department under Subsection (b) of this
14 section equals or exceeds \$1 million, provided that for an event
15 scheduled to be held each year for a period of years under an event
16 contract or event support contract, the incremental increase in tax
17 receipts shall be calculated as if the event did not occur in the
18 prior year; and

19 (5) not later than the 30th day before the first day of
20 the event, a site selection organization or the organization
21 hosting the event submits a plan to prevent the trafficking of
22 persons in connection with the event to the office of the attorney
23 general, the human trafficking prevention task force established
24 under Section 402.035, Government Code, and the chief of the Texas
25 Division of Emergency Management.

26 (a-5) If the department determines an event is ineligible to
27 receive funding through the Major Events Reimbursement Program due

1 solely to a failure to timely submit a plan as required by
2 Subsection (a-1)(5) of this section, the event may receive funding
3 through the program if:

4 (1) the plan required by that subdivision is submitted
5 to the required entities not later than seven days before the event
6 begins and is implemented during the event; and

7 (2) all other requirements for funding under this
8 section, including those imposed by Subsections (d-1) and (w) of
9 this section, are satisfied not later than the 60th day after the
10 last day of the fiscal year in which the event occurs, provided
11 submission of the plan required by Subsection (a-1)(5) of this
12 section was not previously required under this section for that
13 event.

14 SECTION 3. Section 5A(a-1), Chapter 1507 (S.B. 456), Acts
15 of the 76th Legislature, Regular Session, 1999 (Article 5190.14,
16 Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), as amended by this Act, and Section
17 5A(a-5), Chapter 1507 (S.B. 456), Acts of the 76th Legislature,
18 Regular Session, 1999 (Article 5190.14, Vernon's Texas Civil
19 Statutes), as added by this Act, apply to an event that occurs
20 before, on, or after the effective date of this Act.

21 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
22 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
23 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
24 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
25 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.