

# SENATE AMENDMENTS

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H.B. No. 2402

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8 follows:

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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 championship event in the National Reined Cow Horse  
12 Association (NRCHA) Championship Series, a CONVRG conference, a  
13 national political convention of the Republican National Committee  
14 or the Democratic National Committee, a presidential general  
15 election debate, or the largest event held each year at a sports  
16 entertainment venue in this state with a permanent seating  
17 capacity, including grandstand and premium seating, of not less  
18 than 125,000. The term includes any activities related to or  
19 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 National Reined Cow Horse Association  
11 (NRCHA);

12 (F) Encore Live;

13 (G) the Republican National Committee or the  
14 Democratic National Committee;

15 (H) [~~(F)~~] the Ultimate Fighting Championship; or

16 (I) [~~(G)~~] the Commission on Presidential  
17 Debates.

18 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
19 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
20 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
21 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
22 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

**ADOPTED**

MAY 16 2019

*Leta Spaw*  
Secretary of the Senate

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By: *[Signature]*

Substitute the following for \_\_\_B. No. \_\_\_:

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**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
**Austin, Texas**

**FISCAL NOTE, 86TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**May 16, 2019**

**TO:** Honorable Dennis Bonnen, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

**FROM:** John McGeady, Assistant Director    Sarah Keyton, Assistant Director  
Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB2402** by Geren (Relating to the eligibility of certain events to receive funding through the Major Events Reimbursement Program.), **As Passed 2nd House**

<p>The fiscal implications of the bill cannot be determined at this time. The fiscal impact would depend on the number and size of events covered under the bill.</p>
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The bill would amend Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes relating to the eligibility of a championship event in the National Reined Cow Horse Association (NRCHA) Championship series, a Big 12 Football Conference Championship game, and a World Wrestling Entertainment WrestleMania event to receive funding through the Major Events Reimbursement Program (MERP). The bill would also amend statute to add the National Reined Cow Horse Association, the Big 12 Conference, and World Wrestling Entertainment to the list of site selection organizations.

The bill would expand the number of events eligible to receive funding through the MERP. The specific fiscal impact to the state is unknown as the size and number of events that would become eligible and held in this state is unknown.

The bill would take effect immediately upon receiving two-thirds majority vote in each house. Otherwise, the bill would take effect September 1, 2019.

**Local Government Impact**

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 300 Trusteed Programs Within the Office of the Governor

**LBB Staff:** WP, SD, JSm, SZ, NV

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**Austin, Texas**

**FISCAL NOTE, 86TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**May 10, 2019**

**TO:** Honorable Brian Birdwell, Chair, Senate Committee on Natural Resources & Economic Development

**FROM:** John McGeady, Assistant Director    Sarah Keyton, Assistant Director  
Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB2402** by Geren (Relating to the eligibility of certain events to receive funding through the Major Events Reimbursement Program.), **Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted**

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**FISCAL NOTE, 86TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**May 7, 2019**

**TO:** Honorable Brian Birdwell, Chair, Senate Committee on Natural Resources & Economic Development

**FROM:** John McGeady, Assistant Director    Sarah Keyton, Assistant Director  
Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB2402** by Geren (Relating to the eligibility of certain events to receive funding through the Major Events Reimbursement Program.), **As Engrossed**

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**FISCAL NOTE, 86TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**April 4, 2019**

**TO:** Honorable John Cyrier, Chair, House Committee on Culture, Recreation & Tourism

**FROM:** John McGeady, Assistant Director    Sarah Keyton, Assistant Director  
Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE:** **HB2402** by Geren (Relating to the eligibility of certain events to receive funding through the Major Events Reimbursement Program.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

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FISCAL NOTE, 86TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

March 22, 2019

**TO:** Honorable John Cyrier, Chair, House Committee on Culture, Recreation & Tourism

**FROM:** John McGeady, Assistant Director    Sarah Keyton, Assistant Director  
Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB2402** by Geren (Relating to the eligibility of certain events to receive funding through the Major Events Reimbursement Program.), **As Introduced**

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