

BILL ANALYSIS

C.S.H.B. 2231
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Culture, Recreation & Tourism
Committee Report (Substituted)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

The major events reimbursement program permits local governments and local organizing committees to apply to the state for help to pay certain eligible costs associated with conducting specifically named major events. Certain additional events that would benefit the state and local communities should be made eligible for funding. C.S.H.B. 2231 adds four such major events to the list of eligible events and ensures a currently included event, the Formula One U.S. Grand Prix, remains eligible for funding in the future.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

C.S.H.B. 2231 amends the Government Code to make the following events and associated site selection organizations eligible for funding under the major events reimbursement program:

- the Bassmaster Classic and Bass Anglers Sportsman Society, LLC;
- a Federation Equestre Internationale World Cup Final and the Federation Equestre Internationale (FEI);
- a Federation Internationale de Motocyclisme (FIM) World Supercross Championship race and SX Global; and
- the Professional Bull Riders World Finals and Professional Bull Riders, LLC.

The bill specifies that the Formula One race that is eligible for funding is the U.S. Grand Prix and that any successor of the Formula One Management Limited may qualify for funding.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2023.

COMPARISON OF INTRODUCED AND SUBSTITUTE

While C.S.H.B. 2231 may differ from the introduced in minor or nonsubstantive ways, the following summarizes the substantial differences between the introduced and committee substitute versions of the bill.

The substitute includes a provision not in the introduced that specifies that the Formula One race that is eligible for funding is the U.S. Grand Prix and that a successor of Formula One Management Limited is an eligible site selection organization.