

AN ACT

relating to the eligibility of the National Rifle Association's Annual Meetings and Exhibits or another annual event of the National Rifle Association for funding under the major events reimbursement program.

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

SECTION 1. Sections 478.0001(3) and (7), Government Code, are amended to read as follows:

(3) "Event" means any of the following and includes any activity related to or associated with the following:

- (A) the Academy of Country Music Awards;
- (B) the Amateur Athletic Union Junior Olympic Games;
- (C) the Bassmaster Classic;
- (D) a Big 12 Football Conference Championship game;
- (E) the Breeders' Cup World Championships;
- (F) the CMT (Country Music Television) Music Awards;
- (G) a game of the College Football Playoff or its successor;
- (H) the Confederation of North, Central America and Caribbean Association Football (Concacaf) Gold Cup;
- (I) a CONVRG conference;

(J) an Elite Rodeo Association World
Championship;

(K) a Federation Equestre Internationale World
Cup Final;

(L) a Federation Internationale de Motocyclisme
(FIM) World Supercross Championship race;

(M) the Formula One United States Grand Prix;

(N) the largest event held each year at a sports
entertainment venue in this state with a permanent seating
capacity, including grandstand and premium seating, of at least
125,000 on September 1, 2021;

(O) the Major League Baseball All-Star Game;

(P) the Major League Soccer All-Star Game or the
Major League Soccer Cup;

(Q) a mixed martial arts championship;

(R) the Moto Grand Prix of the United States;

(S) the National Association for Stock Car Auto
Racing (NASCAR):

(i) All-Star Race;

(ii) season-ending Championship Race; or

(iii) Texas Grand Prix race;

(T) the National Basketball Association All-Star
Game;

(U) a National Collegiate Athletic Association
Final Four tournament game;

(V) the National Collegiate Athletic Association
men's or women's lacrosse championships;

1 (W) a national collegiate championship of an
2 amateur sport sanctioned by the national governing body of the
3 sport that is recognized by the United States Olympic Committee;

4 (X) the National Cutting Horse Association
5 Triple Crown;

6 (Y) the National Hockey League All-Star Game;

7 (Z) the National Hot Rod Association Fall
8 Nationals at the Texas Motorplex;

9 (AA) a national political convention of the
10 Republican National Committee or the Democratic National
11 Committee;

12 (BB) the National Reined Cow Horse Association
13 (NRCHA) Championship Series;

14 (BB-1) the National Rifle Association's Annual
15 Meetings and Exhibits or another annual event of the National Rifle
16 Association;

17 (CC) an Olympic activity, including a Junior or
18 Senior activity, training program, or feeder program sanctioned by
19 the United States Olympic Committee's Community Olympic
20 Development Program;

21 (DD) a presidential general election debate;

22 (EE) the Professional Bull Riders World Finals;

23 (FF) the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association
24 National Finals Rodeo;

25 (GG) a series of cricket matches or competitions
26 within the T20 World Cup;

27 (HH) a Super Bowl;

(II) the United States Open Championship;

(JJ) a World Cup soccer game or the World Cup soccer tournament;

(KK) the World Games;

(LL) a World Wrestling Entertainment WrestleMania event; or

(MM) the X Games.

(7) "Site selection organization" means:

(A) the Academy of Country Music;

(B) the Amateur Athletic Union;

(C) Bass Anglers Sportsman Society, LLC;

(D) the Big 12 Conference;

(E) CMT (Country Music Television) Productions Inc.;

(F) the College Football Playoff Administration, LLC, or its successor;

(G) the Commission on Presidential Debates;

(H) the Confederation of North, Central America and Caribbean Association Football (Concacaf);

(I) the Democratic National Committee;

(J) Dorna Sports;

(K) the Elite Rodeo Association;

(L) Encore Live;

(M) ESPN or an affiliate;

(N) the Federation Equestre Internationale (FEI);

(O) the Federation Internationale de Football

1 Association (FIFA);
2 (P) the International Cricket Council;
3 (Q) the International World Games Association;
4 (R) Major League Baseball;
5 (S) Major League Soccer;
6 (T) the National Association for Stock Car Auto
7 Racing (NASCAR);
8 (U) the National Basketball Association;
9 (V) the National Collegiate Athletic
10 Association;
11 (W) the National Cutting Horse Association;
12 (X) the National Football League;
13 (Y) the National Hockey League;
14 (Z) the National Hot Rod Association;
15 (AA) the National Reined Cow Horse Association
16 (NRCHA);
17 (AA-1) the National Rifle Association of
18 America;
19 (BB) Professional Bull Riders, LLC;
20 (CC) the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association;
21 (DD) the Republican National Committee;
22 (EE) SX Global;
23 (FF) the Ultimate Fighting Championship;
24 (GG) the United States Golf Association;
25 (HH) the United States Olympic Committee;
26 (II) World Wrestling Entertainment; or
27 (JJ) the national governing body of a sport that

1 is recognized by:

2 (i) the Federation Internationale de
3 l'Automobile;

4 (ii) Formula One Management Limited or its
5 successor;

6 (iii) the National Thoroughbred Racing
7 Association; or

8 (iv) the United States Olympic Committee.

9 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

S.B. No. 1718

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1718 passed the Senate on April 29, 2025, by the following vote: Yeas 20, Nays 11.

Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1718 passed the House on May 28, 2025, by the following vote: Yeas 82, Nays 54, one present not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

Date

Governor