

AN ACT

relating to the eligibility of the INDYCAR Grand Prix of Arlington 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;

1 (K) a Federation Equestre Internationale World
2 Cup Final;

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

5 (M) the Formula One United States Grand Prix;

6 (M-1) the INDYCAR Grand Prix of Arlington;

7 (N) the largest event held each year at a sports
8 entertainment venue in this state with a permanent seating
9 capacity, including grandstand and premium seating, of at least
10 125,000 on September 1, 2021;

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

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

14 (Q) a mixed martial arts championship;

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

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

18 (i) All-Star Race;

19 (ii) season-ending Championship Race; or

20 (iii) Texas Grand Prix race;

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

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

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

27 (W) a national collegiate championship of an

1 amateur sport sanctioned by the national governing body of the
2 sport that is recognized by the United States Olympic Committee;

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

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

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

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

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

13 (CC) an Olympic activity, including a Junior or
14 Senior activity, training program, or feeder program sanctioned by
15 the United States Olympic Committee's Community Olympic
16 Development Program;

17 (DD) a presidential general election debate;

18 (EE) the Professional Bull Riders World Finals;

19 (FF) the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association
20 National Finals Rodeo;

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

23 (HH) a Super Bowl;

24 (II) the United States Open Championship;

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

27 (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
Association (FIFA);

(P) the International Cricket Council;

(Q) the International World Games Association;

(R) Major League Baseball;

1 (S) Major League Soccer;
2 (T) the National Association for Stock Car Auto
3 Racing (NASCAR);
4 (U) the National Basketball Association;
5 (V) the National Collegiate Athletic
6 Association;
7 (W) the National Cutting Horse Association;
8 (X) the National Football League;
9 (Y) the National Hockey League;
10 (Z) the National Hot Rod Association;
11 (AA) the National Reined Cow Horse Association
12 (NRCHA);
13 (AA-1) Penske Entertainment;
14 (BB) Professional Bull Riders, LLC;
15 (CC) the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association;
16 (DD) the Republican National Committee;
17 (EE) SX Global;
18 (FF) the Ultimate Fighting Championship;
19 (GG) the United States Golf Association;
20 (HH) the United States Olympic Committee;
21 (II) World Wrestling Entertainment; or
22 (JJ) the national governing body of a sport that
23 is recognized by:
24 (i) the Federation Internationale de
25 l'Automobile;
26 (ii) Formula One Management Limited or its
27 successor;

(iii) the National Thoroughbred Racing Association; or

(iv) the United States Olympic Committee.

SECTION 2. Section 478.0051, Government Code, is amended by adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

(d) Notwithstanding Subsection (b), an event described by Section 478.0001(3)(M-1) may receive funding through the program if a site selection organization selects a site in this state as the sole site for the event without considering through a highly competitive process one or more sites not in this state. This subsection expires September 1, 2030.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 2004 passed the Senate on April 29, 2025, by the following vote: Yeas 25, Nays 6.

Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 2004 passed the House on May 13, 2025, by the following vote: Yeas 85, Nays 58, two present not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

Date

Governor