The Arkansas State Athletic Commission ("Commission") is proposing the following action: Repeal and revocation of all prior rules and regulations governing any and all forms of combative sports in the State of Arkansas and promulgation and implementation of entirely new rules and regulations applicable to all forms of combative sports in the State of Arkansas, as well as, regulations for the proper function and implementation of the Arkansas State Athletic Commission's authorized activities. The newly proposed regulations involve all aspects of participation in and conducting of combative sports events in Arkansas. The primary purpose of the new regulations is comprehensive regulation of combative sports in Arkansas for the protection of the health, safety and welfare of the public, participants and related persons. The new regulations further provide for regulation under Act 781 of the 2009 Legislative Session.

The public is invited to provide data, views, arguments or comments and other input on the proposed action. The Commission will hold a public hearing to discuss the proposed actions and receive public comments on the same. The public meeting will be January 14, 2010 starting at 1:00 P.M. at the Dee Brown Public Library located at 6325 Baseline Road, Little Rock, AR. A copy of the newly proposed regulations can be obtained from the Commission at 9710 Interstate 30, Little Rock, AR by appointment. An electronic copy is available on the Internet at http://www.asac.ar.gov then clicking on the "Rules and Regulations" hyperlink tab. The public may also provide comment by mailing written comments to Arkansas State Athletic Commission, Attn: Mr. Johnny Mattingly, 9710 Interstate 30, Little Rock, AR 72209. Written comments must be received on or before January 14, 2010. Oral comment can be made by calling 501 687-1038 from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Monday through Friday prior to the public hearing.