

By Senator King

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to motorsports; creating s.
3 549.10, F.S.; defining the terms "motorsport
4 entertainment complex," "motorsports event,"
5 "owner" and "sanctioning body"; authorizing
6 contracts for promotional activities; providing
7 an effective date.

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9 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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11 Section 1. Section 549.10, Florida Statutes, is
12 created to read:

13 549.10 Motorsports entertainment complex; contracts.--

14 (1) As used in this section, the term:

15 (a) "Motorsports entertainment complex" means a
16 closed-course motorsports facility and its ancillary grounds
17 and facilities which:

18 1. Has at least 70,000 permanent seats for race
19 patrons;

20 2. Has at least 7 scheduled days of motorsports events
21 each calendar year;

22 3. Has at least four motorsports events each calendar
23 year;

24 4. Serves food at the facility during sanctioned
25 motorsports events;

26 5. Engages in tourism promotion; and

27 6. Has on the property permanent exhibitions of
28 motorsports history, events, or vehicles.

29 (b) "Motorsports event" means a motorsports race and
30 its ancillary activities that have been sanctioned by a
31 sanctioning body.

1 (c) "Owner" means a person who owns and operates a
2 motorsports complex; a person who leases a motorsports
3 entertainment complex or the land on which a motorsports
4 entertainment complex is located from the Federal Government,
5 the state, or a county, municipality, or special district and
6 operates the motorsports entertainment complex; or a person
7 who operates and maintains a motorsports entertainment complex
8 under an operation and management agreement entered into with
9 the Federal Government, the state, or a county, municipality,
10 or special district.

11 (d) "Sanctioning body" means the American Motorcycle
12 Association (AMA); Auto Racing Club of America (ARCA);
13 Championship Auto Racing Teams (CART); Grand American Road
14 Racing Association (GRAND AM); Indy Racing League (IRL);
15 National Association for Stock Car Auto Racing (NASCAR);
16 National Hot Rod Association (NHRA); Professional Sportscar
17 Racing (PSR); Sports Car Club of America (SCCA); United States
18 Auto Club (USAC); or any successor organization or any other
19 nationally recognized governing body of motorsports that
20 establishes an annual schedule of motorsports events and
21 grants rights to conduct the events, that has established and
22 administers rules and regulations governing all participants
23 involved in the events and all persons conducting the events,
24 and that requires certain liability assurances, including
25 insurance.

26 (2)(a) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary,
27 the owner of a motorsports entertainment complex may enter
28 into a promotional contract, including a contract with any
29 other person which may require the payment of fees, except:

30 1. A person licensed under s. 563.02(3), unless that
31 person is also licensed as a manufacturer;

