Session of 2020 No. 2020-43

HB 1405

AN ACT

Repealing the act of June 22, 1935 (P.L.449, No.188), entitled "An act relating to certain sports on Sunday in cases where an admission is charged; permitting certain sports on Sunday for which an admission is charged during certain hours; providing for the licensing of exhibitions thereof where an admission charge is made; and changing the hours during which certain sports may be conducted, staged, and played where the electors are in favor of the same."

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. The act of June 22, 1935 (P.L.449, No.188), referred to as the Sunday Tennis Act, is repealed:

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Relating to certain sports on Sunday in cases where an admission is charged; permitting certain sports on Sunday for which an admission is charged during certain hours; providing for the licensing of exhibitions thereof where an admission charge is made; and changing the hours during which certain sports may be conducted, staged, and played where the electors are in favor of the same.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That the word "municipality," as used in this act, shall be considered to mean and include any city, borough, town, or township of this Commonwealth.

Section 2. It shall be lawful for any person, partnership, association, or corporation to conduct, stage, manage, operate, or engage in the game of tennis, although a charge of admission thereto is made, and although labor or business is necessary to conduct, manage, operate, or stage the same, on the first day of the week, commonly called Sunday, after the hour of one o'clock postmeridian or before the hour of seven o'clock postmeridian.

Section 3. It shall and may be lawful, where admission is charged as aforesaid, for any municipality by ordinance to require that a license be first issued by the municipality before it shall be lawful for any person, copartnership, association, or corporation to conduct, stage, or operate any public exhibition of the game of tennis at which an admission entrance fee or other charge is made. And such municipality may impose a reasonable license fee upon any one who shall conduct, operate, manage, or stage a public exhibition of the game of tennis, not exceeding twenty-five dollars (\$25).

All license fees, collected under the provisions of any such ordinance, shall be paid into the treasury of the municipality.

Section 4. Where, by the provisions of existing law, it is lawful to conduct, stage, and play any sport, other than tennis, on Sunday between the hours of two o'clock postmeridian and six o'clock postmeridian, it shall hereafter be lawful to conduct, stage, and play such sports between the hours of one o'clock postmeridian and seven o'clock postmeridian; but only in a municipality wherein the electors have heretofore voted in favor of conducting, staging, and playing such sports between the

hours of two o'clock postmeridian and six o'clock postmeridian, or wherein the electors shall hereafter vote in the manner provided by existing law in favor of conducting, staging, and playing of such sports on Sunday between the hours of one o'clock postmeridian and seven o'clock postmeridian.

Section 5. Whenever in this act time is referred to, the same shall be construed to mean "eastern standard time," except during the period commencing with the last Sunday of April and ending with the last Sunday of September of each year, during which period such reference shall be construed to mean "eastern daylight saving time," in those municipalities where daylight saving time is the customary time in common use during such period.

Section 6. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.]

Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.

APPROVED--The 1st day of July, A.D. 2020.

TOM WOLF