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An Act to provide for the appointment of a promoter of and to facilitate the staging of Indy Car Grand Prix events in Queensland

[ASSENTED TO 18TH SEPTEMBER, 1990]

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of Queensland in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

PART 1—PRELIMINARY

1.1 Short title. This Act may be cited as the *Indy Car Grand Prix* Act 1990.

1.2 Interpretation. (1) In this Act, unless the contrary intention appears-

- "CART" means Championship Auto Racing Teams, Inc. a company incorporated in the State of Michigan in the United States of America and having its registered office at 1400 N. Woodward, Suite 3800, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan or other body declared by the Minister by notification published in the Gazette to be the body controlling Indy Car World Series racing;
- "declared area" for any year means the area declared by the Governor in Council by notification under Part 2 to be the declared area for that year;
- "declared period" for any year means the period declared by the Governor in Council by notification under Part 2 to be the declared period for that year;
- "freehold land" means land in Queensland in which an estate of freehold is subsisting;
- "grand prix insignia" means any of the expressions "Grand Prix", "Gold Coast Grand Prix", "Gold Coast Indy Grand Prix", "Gold Coast Indy Car Grand Prix" or "Indy Car Grand Prix" where the expression (whether appearing or used in full or abbreviated form or alone or in combination with other words or symbols) can reasonably be taken to refer to a motor racing event;
- "graphic standards manual" means a document adopted by the promoter as the graphic standards manual and available for inspection during normal business hours at the registered office of the promoter or, if required by the Minister, at another specified office of the promoter;
- "land" includes foreshore, land below high water mark of tidal water and bed and banks of a river, stream, watercourse, lake or other body of water;
- "leasehold land" means land, other than freehold land, which is subject to-
 - (a) an estate or interest in land under a lease granted by the Crown;
 - (b) a permit to occupy or road licence granted under the Land Act 1962-1989;

or

- (c) a lease issued by a trustee of a reserve under the Land Act 1962-1989;
- "lessee" means the holder of any lease of freehold land or of leasehold land and includes the holder of any sublease of such a lease;

"local authority" means a local authority for the purposes of the *Local Government Act 1936-1990*;

- "logo" means the design (the copyright of which is vested in the promoter) which is more particularly depicted and described from time to time in the graphic standards manual;
- "Minister" includes a Minister of the Crown for the time being acting for or on behalf of the Minister;
- "official grand prix insignia" means the logo, an official symbol, an official title or any grand prix insignia;
- "official symbol" means a combination of the logo and an official title;
- "official title" means a name or a title of a motor racing event declared by the Minister under subsection (4);
- "private land" means freehold land or leasehold land which in each case is for the time being not owned, managed or occupied by a local authority or public authority;
- "promote" in relation to an event or activity, includes organize and conduct;
- "promoter" for any year means the person or group of persons declared by the Governor in Council by notification under Part 2 to be the promoter for that year;
- "public land" means land which, for the time being, is not private land;
- "relevant local authority" in relation to the declared area for any year, means a local authority the Area of which includes the declared area or part of the declared area;
- "road" means any road, street or thoroughfare (including any carriageway, footpath, dividing strip and traffic island) commonly used by the public or to which the public are permitted access.

(2) For the purposes of this Act, goods are taken to be marked with official grand prix insignia if such insignia are affixed or annexed to, marked on, or incorporated in or with—

(a) the goods;

or

 (b) any covering or container in which the goods are wholly or partly enclosed;

or

(c) anything placed in or attached to any such covering or container;

or

(d) anything that is attached to the goods or around which the goods are wrapped or wound.

(3) For the purposes of this Act, a motor racing event is a motor car race—

- (a) that takes place within a declared area for any year; and
- (b) that is an official round of an Indy Car World Series race championship directed, controlled and sanctioned by CART and run under the rules of CART;

and includes all practice and qualifying sessions and parades and demonstrations, any other motor race and practice sessions and such other activities, events and promotions (whether or not involving motor racing) held in conjunction or associated with the race.

(4) The Minister may, for the purposes of this Act, by notification published in the Gazette, declare, in respect of a motor racing event—

- (a) the name or names of the motor racing event; and
- (b) the title of the motor racing event.

1.3 Termination of Act. This Act expires on 31 December 1996.

PART 2—APPOINTMENT OF PROMOTER AND DECLARATION OF AREA AND PERIOD

2.1 Appointment of promoter. (1) The Governor in Council may, upon the recommendation of the Minister, by notification published in the Gazette declare a person or group of persons to be the promoter for the year specified in the notification.

(2) The Governor in Council may, upon the recommendation of the Minister, by notification published in the Gazette, vary or revoke a notification under subsection (1).

2.2 Governor in Council may declare area and period for races. (1) The Governor in Council may, upon the recommendation of the Minister—

- (a) by notification published in the Gazette, declare that an area of the State specified in the notice is to be the declared area for a year specified in the notice;
 and
- (b) by notification published in the Gazette, declare that a period (not exceeding 5 days) specified in the notice is to be the declared period for the year specified in the notice.

(2) The Governor in Council may, upon the recommendation of the Minister, by notification published in the Gazette, vary or revoke a notification under subsection (1).

PART 3—PROVISIONS RELATING TO ESTABLISHMENT OF CIRCUIT AND CONDUCT OF RACES

3.1 Promoter to have care, control etc. of declared area. (1) The care, control, management and use of the public land within the declared area for any year vests in the promoter for the declared period for that year and the rights or interests of any other person in or in relation to that public land are suspended for the declared period.

(2) Any land within the declared area for any year that is road ceases to be road—

- (a) for the declared period for that year;
 - and
- (b) for any other period that the land is fenced or cordoned off by the promoter pursuant to this Act;

but, upon the expiration of that period, reverts to road.

(3) Notwithstanding subsections (1) and (2), if the promoter opens any land within the declared area for that year to ordinary pedestrian and vehicular traffic as a road during prescribed times, the land while so open, is a road.

(4) The provisions of this section have effect notwithstanding the provisions of any other Act or law.

(5) Notwithstanding subsection (2), for the purpose of the application of sections 16, 16A and 16C of the *Traffic Act 1949-1990*, land referred to in subsection (2) is road.

3.2 Promoter to have power to enter and carry out works. (1) Subject to this section, the promoter for the purposes of this Act has free and unrestricted access to the land comprising the declared area for any year and may carry out any works and do any other things upon the land that are reasonably necessary for or incidental to the promoting of the motor racing event.

(2) The promoter, in exercising its powers under this section in relation to public land within the declared area, is to comply with—

- (a) any terms and conditions from time to time agreed upon by the promoter with the relevant local authority or any public authority having control over, or person having a right of occupation of, the public land or any part of the public land;
 - or
- (b) failing such agreement in relation to any particular matter, any terms and conditions determined by the Minister.

(3) The promoter, in exercising its powers under this section in relation to private land within the declared area, is to comply with—

(a) any terms and conditions from time to time agreed upon by the promoter with the registered proprietor or the lessee (as the case may be) or any person having a right of occupation of the private land or any part of the private land;

or

(b) failing such agreement in relation to any particular matter, any terms and conditions determined by the Minister.

(4) The terms and conditions that may be the subject of agreement or determination under subsections (2) and (3) include (without limiting the generality of subsections (2) and (3)) terms and conditions—

- (a) that limit or prevent any unnecessary or reasonably avoidable interference with or damage to the land or anything growing upon or built upon the land;
- (b) that limit or prevent any unnecessary or reasonably avoidable interference with any activity that may be lawfully carried on upon the land;
- (c) that provide for reimbursement of proper costs or expenses that may be incurred by a relevant local authority, public authority, registered proprietor, lessee or occupier (as the case may be).

3.3 Promoter to make good damage, restore etc. land. If in any year the promoter gains access to or carries out any works or does any other things on land, then within a reasonable time after expiration of the declared period in that year, the promoter in respect of that land is to—

- (a) make good any damage occasioned to the land or fixtures thereon by the activities of the promoter;
- (b) remove all rubbish from the land; and
- (c) re-instate and leave the land in as nearly as is practicable the same condition as it was prior to the gaining entry, carrying out of works or the doing of those things.

3.4 Promoter to consult and take into account representations of persons affected by operations. (1) The promoter, in exercising powers in promoting a motor racing event, is to—

- (a) take all reasonable steps to consult with-
 - (i) any relevant local authority, registered proprietor, lessee or any person having a right of occupation of land within the declared area for any year;
 - (ii) any person occupying land immediately adjacent to the declared area for any year;
 - (iii) any other person whose business or financial interests might, in the opinion of the promoter, be adversely affected by the operations of the promoter; and
 - (iv) any public authority (including any Department of the Government of the State) where operations are or are

likely to be adversely affected by the operations of the promoter;

and

(b) take into account and, to such extent as is reasonably consistent with promoting a motor racing event, give effect to any representations made by any such person.

(2) The duties imposed by subsection (1) do not give rise to any cause or right of action against or any liability in the promoter.

3.5 Fencing or cordoning off of certain land by promoter. (1) Subject to compliance with this Act, the whole or any part of the land comprising the declared area for any year may be fenced or cordoned off by the promoter for the whole or any part of the declared period for that year.

(2) Subject to compliance with this Act, the promoter may, where it is reasonably necessary for or incidental to the promoting of a motor racing event, fence or cordon off a part of the declared area for any year for a period not falling within the declared period for that year.

3.6 Fenced or cordoned off land is lawfully occupied by promoter. Land comprising or included within the declared area for any year that is fenced or cordoned off by the promoter is, while it is so fenced or cordoned off, to be taken to be in the lawful occupation of the promoter.

3.7 Certain Acts and laws not to apply. (1) The Noise Abatement Act 1978-1989 does not apply to or in relation to any noise emanating from a motor racing event for any year.

(2) The provisions of the Main Roads Act 1920-1988 and the Traffic Act 1949-1990, other than sections 16, 16A and 16C of that Act, do not apply to or in relation to a vehicle or its driver while the vehicle is being driven—

(a) in a motor racing event;

or

(b) with the approval of the promoter, within the declared area for any year during the declared period for the purpose of providing support services for a motor racing event.

(3) Land within the declared area for any year for so long as, during the declared period, it is not a road is not a "road" or a "public place" for the purposes of the *Motor Vehicles Control Act 1975-1988*.

(4) Except to the extent that the provisions of the Local Government Act 1936-1990, the Building Act 1975-1988 and the Beach Protection Act 1968-1989 require compliance with prescribed standards, the provisions of those Acts do not apply to or in relation to any works carried out or activity engaged in in respect of the promoting or the staging of a motor racing event by or with the approval of the promoter within the declared area for any year. (5) An activity carried on by or with the permission of the promoter within the declared area for any year during the declared period for that year does not constitute a nuisance.

3.8 Plans of proposed works to be available for public inspection. The promoter is to cause copies of the plans of all works proposed to be carried out by the promoter within the declared area for any year to be available for public inspection during normal business hours at an office of the promoter approved by the Minister.

3.9 Power to remove vehicles left unattended within declared area. (1) Where any vehicle is left unattended on public land within the declared area for any year during—

- (a) the declared period for that year;
 - or
- (b) the period occurring immediately before or after the declared period for that year and earlier fixed by the Minister for the purposes of this paragraph;

a person authorized by the promoter may remove the vehicle to any convenient place and for that purpose may enter the vehicle and drive it, or arrange for it to be driven or towed away.

(2) (a) As soon as practicable after the removal of a vehicle under subsection (1), the person who removed the vehicle is to give to the owner of the vehicle notice of the removal and stating—

- (i) the place where the vehicle is kept;
- (ii) that the vehicle may be released upon payment of all the expenses in connexion with the removal and detention of the vehicle and of the giving of the notice; and
- (iii) if the vehicle is not released within 14 days it may be sold by the promoter.

(b) Notice given pursuant to paragraph (a) is to be in writing and served upon the owner personally, but if it is not so served within 14 days of the removal or if the owner has not been identified, it may be given by public advertisement in a newspaper circulating in the locality of the declared area for the year.

(c) (i) If within 14 days from the date of service or advertisement of the notice, whichever last occurs the owner of the vehicle or a person acting on behalf of the owner or claiming a right to the possession of the vehicle has not obtained possession of the vehicle in accordance with the provisions of this section, the promoter may—

- (A) by notice published in a newspaper circulating in the locality of the declared area for the year advertise that the vehicle will be offered for sale at the place and time stated in the advertisement;
- (B) at the time on the day stated in the advertisement (which day shall be not earlier than 14 days after the date when

the advertisement was first published) and at the place stated in the advertisement, offer the vehicle for sale unless the owner thereof or a person acting on behalf of the owner or claiming a right to possession thereof has sooner obtained possession of the vehicle in accordance with the provisions of this section.

Vehicles sold pursuant to this paragraph are to be sold by public auction unless the Minister otherwise directs.

(ii) The proceeds of the sale or disposal of a vehicle are to be applied as follows:---

- (A) firstly, in payment of the expenses of the sale or disposal;
- (B) secondly, in payment of the cost of removal of and holding the vehicle and the service and advertisement of any notice served or advertised under this section;
- (C) thirdly, in payment of the balance of the proceeds to the owner of the vehicle or, if after reasonable enquiry, the owner cannot be ascertained, to The Public Trustee of Queensland as unclaimed moneys and the provisions of the *Public Trustee Act 1978-1989* with respect to unclaimed moneys apply thereto.

(d) A vehicle is not to be delivered to the owner thereof, or to another person acting on behalf of the owner or claiming a right to the possession thereof unless---

- (i) the owner or other person has made and signed an application to the promoter for the release of the vehicle;
- (ii) the applicant has furnished proof to the satisfaction of the promoter of ownership or right to possession of the vehicle and, in the case of the applicant being a person acting on behalf of the owner, has furnished proof to the satisfaction of the promoter of authority to so act;
- (iii) the applicant has paid all expenses incurred by the promoter and not waived pursuant to the provisions of this subsection in connexion with the removal of and holding the vehicle and the service or advertisement of any notice served or advertised by the promoter in relation to the availability for collection or intended sale of the vehicle;
 - and
- (iv) the applicant has signed a receipt for the delivery of the vehicle.

If the promoter considers that special circumstances exist, the promoter may waive payment of the whole or part of the expenses referred to in provision (iii).

(e) A person who takes delivery, or obtains possession of or removes or attempts to remove from or interferes in any way with a vehicle which is in the custody of the promoter except in accordance with the provisions of this section commits an offence against this Act. Penalty: 10 penalty units.

(g) For the purposes of this section the person in whose name a vehicle is registered under the *Main Roads Act 1920-1988* or any corresponding Act of the Commonwealth, a State or territory of the Commonwealth is the owner of the vehicle.

3.10 Directions by Minister. (1) The Minister may direct the promoter to do or not to do such things in relation to a motor racing event for any year as the Minister thinks fit.

(2) The promoter is to comply in every respect with a direction given under subsection (1) and is not to authorize any act or omission by any person contrary to the direction.

PART 4-MISCELLANEOUS

4.1 Proceedings for offences. A prosecution for an offence against this Act is to be taken by way of summary proceeding under the *Justices* Act 1886-1989.

4.2 Offence by body corporate. (1) Where an offence against this Act is committed by a body corporate, every person who is an executive officer of the body corporate commits the offence and may be prosecuted and punished for the offence unless that person proves that the offence was committed without knowledge of that person and that person used a reasonable degree of diligence to prevent the commission of the offence.

(2) In subsection (1), "executive officer of the body corporate" means any person, by whatever name called and whether or not a director of the body corporate, who is concerned or takes part in the management of the body corporate.

(3) Subsection (1) does not affect the liability of a body corporate to be prosecuted and punished for an offence.

4.3 Promoter's special property in official grand prix insignia. (1) The promoter has a proprietary interest in all official grand prix insignia.

(2) A person, who without the consent of the promoter, in the course of a trade or business—

- (a) sells goods marked with official grand prix insignia; or
- (b) uses official grand prix insignia for the purpose of promoting the sale of goods or services;

commits the tort of conversion and commits an offence against this Act.

Penalty: 300 penalty units.

(3) A person who, without the consent of the promoter, assumes a name or description that consists of, or includes, official grand prix insignia commits the tort of conversion and commits an offence against this Act.

Penalty: 300 penalty units.

- (4) A consent under this section—
 - (a) may be given with or without conditions (including conditions requiring payment to the promoter);
 and
 - (b) may be given by notice in writing addressed to an applicant for the consent;
 - and
 - (c) may be revoked by the promoter for breach of a condition by notice in writing given personally or by post to a person who has the benefit of the consent.

(5) The Supreme Court may, on the application of the Promoter, grant an injunction to restrain a breach of this section.

(6) The court by which a person is convicted of an offence against this section may, on the application of the promoter, order the convicted person to pay compensation of an amount fixed by the court to the promoter.

(7) Subsections (5) and (6) do not derogate from any civil remedy that may be available to the promoter apart from those subsections.

4.4 Seizure and forfeiture of goods. (1) Where-

- (a) goods apparently intended for a commercial purpose are marked with official grand prix insignia; and
- (b) a person authorized by the promoter suspects on reasonable grounds that the use of the insignia has not been authorized by the promoter,

that person may seize the goods.

- (2) Where goods have been seized under this section and—
 - (a) proceedings are not instituted for an offence against section
 4.2 in relation to the goods within 3 months of their seizure;
 or
 - (b) after proceedings have been instituted and completed, the defendant is not convicted,

the person from whom they were seized is entitled to recover-

- (c) the goods or, if they have been destroyed, compensation equal to the market value of the goods at the time of their seizure; and
- (d) compensation for any loss suffered by reason of the seizure of the goods.

(3) An action for the payment of compensation under subsection (2) may be brought against the promoter in any court of competent jurisdiction.

(4) The court by which a person is convicted of an offence against this Act may order that goods to which the offence relates be forfeited to the Crown.

(5) Any goods forfeited to the Crown are to be disposed of in such manner as the Minister may direct, and, if sold, the proceeds of the sale are to be disposed of as directed by the Minister.

4.5 Promoter may control and charge fee for filming, etc. from outside declared area. (1) Except with the consent of the promoter, a person is not entitled to make, for the purpose of profit or gain, at or from a place outside the declared area for any year at which a motor racing event promoted by the promoter takes place, any sound recording or television or other recording of moving pictures of the motor racing event or any part of the event.

(2) The promoter may charge a fee for giving consent under subsection (1) being a fee of the prescribed amount or such other amount as the promoter may fix in a particular case.

(3) Where a person makes a recording as referred to in subsection (1) without the consent of the promoter, the promoter may recover, as a debt due to the promoter, by proceedings in any court of competent jurisdiction, the fee of a prescribed amount referred to in subsection (2).

4.6 Regulations. (1) The Governor in Council may make regulations not inconsistent with this Act with respect to all matters necessary or expedient to be prescribed for the proper administration of this Act or to achieve the objects and purposes of this Act.

(2) Without limiting the power conferred by subsection (1), the Governor in Council may make regulations for or with respect to the matters set forth in the Schedule to this Act.

(3) The power to regulate conferred by this section includes the power to prohibit.

(4) Regulations made under the Act—

- (a) may be made to apply generally with respect to any class of person or matter or thing or to apply with such limited application as is indicated therein or with variations in respect of classes of persons, matters or things;
- (b) may adopt wholly or partly and specifically or by reference, any of the standard rules, codes, specifications or methods of any body identified in the regulations.

(5) A regulation may provide for an offence punishable by a penalty not exceeding 20 penalty units.

4.7 Evidence. In any proceedings under this Act a printed document that purports—

- (a) to be a standard, rule, code or specification of an association or body referred to in, or prescribed under, the regulations; and
- (b) to have been published or issued by or on behalf of that association or body;

is evidence of that standard, rule, code or specification.

4.8 Payment of amount in explation of traffic etc. offence. (1) Where it is alleged that a person has committed an offence against a regulation relating to vehicular traffic or the parking of motor vehicles, the promoter may cause to be served personally or by post upon that person a notice to the effect that that person may explate the offence by payment to the promoter of an amount specified in the notice, being an amount fixed by regulation, within a time fixed by the notice, and if an offence is explated, proceedings are not to be commenced in any court with respect to the alleged offence.

(2) All moneys received by the promoter pursuant to subsection (1) less reasonable costs incurred by the promoter in the investigation of the offence and the giving of a notice under that subsection are to be paid to and form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

4.9 Limitation of action. Liability at law shall not attach to the Crown, the Minister, or a police officer within the meaning of the *Police Service Administration Act 1990*, on account of any act or thing—

- (a) done or omitted to be done pursuant to this Act;
 - or
- (b) done or omitted to be done bona fide for the purposes of this Act and without negligence.

This section does not affect the liability of a police officer to disciplinary action under the *Police Service Administration Act 1990*.

4.10 Limited rights of medical and para-medical practitioners. (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of the *Chiropractors and Osteopaths Act* 1979-1988, the *Medical Act* 1939-1988, the *Nursing Act* 1976-1987 and the *Physiotherapists Act* 1964-1984, it is lawful for a person who—

- (a) is registered or otherwise authorized under the law of a place outside Queensland to practise in that place in a branch of medical or para-medical practice;
 and
- (b) is officially appointed by CART to practise in that branch in respect of a motor racing event,

to practise and to hold out as practising in that branch during the period in any year declared for the purposes of this section by Order in Council in respect of competitors participating or to participate in a motor racing event during that period.

(2) In subsection (1) a branch of a medical or para-medical practice is any of the following:—

- (a) chiropractic and osteopathy within the meaning of the *Chiropractors and Osteopaths Act 1979-1988*;
- (b) medicine within the meaning of the Medical Act 1939-1988;
- (c) nursing usually performed by a registered nurse or enrolled nurse enrolled under the Nursing Act 1976-1987;
- (d) physiotherapy within the meaning of the *Physiotherapists* Act 1964-1984.

SCHEDULE

[section 4.6]

Subject matters for regulations

1. Access to declared area. Provisions for and conditions in respect of access by persons to the declared area, or part of the declared area, for any year.

2. Trespass. Trespass upon the declared area, or part of the declared area, for any year.

3. Admission tickets, fees etc. The issue of tickets of various classes for admission to the declared area or part of the declared area, for any year and the fees or other amounts payable to and recoverable by the promoter in that regard.

4. Alcohol within declared area. The regulation of the bringing of alcoholic beverages into, or the consumption of alcoholic beverages within, the declared area, or part of the declared area, for any year.

5. Food etc. within declared area. The regulation of the bringing of food and non-alcoholic beverages into, or the consumption of food and non-alcoholic beverages within, the declared area, or part of the declared area, for any year.

6. Behaviour of persons within declared area. The regulation of the behaviour of persons within the declared area for any year and the exclusion or expulsion of persons misbehaving within the declared area.

7. Use of vehicles etc. within declared area. The regulation of the use, driving or parking of vehicles and vessels within the declared area, or part of the declared area, for any year and the amount payable in explation of alleged breaches of a regulation under this clause.

8. Appointment of authorized persons. The appointment by the promoter or other person specified in the regulations of authorized persons for the purpose of the administration of this Act and the powers, duties and functions of such authorized persons.

9. Confiscation of property. The confiscation of property within the declared area for any year, the consequences of confiscation and disposal of confiscated property.