

TENNESSEE ATHLETIC COMMISSION  
RECORDS, 1955-1974

**RECORD GROUP 65**

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## **INTRODUCTION**

The records contained in Record Group 65, Tennessee Athletic Commission, span the period 1955-1974. This collection is composed of the minutes of the meetings of the commission, reflecting the various activities of the commission. There are no restrictions to access within the collection.

For a continuation of information regarding the Athletic Commission, see Record Group 118, Tennessee Athletic Commission, 1974-1980.

## **AGENCY HISTORY**

The Tennessee Athletic Commission began in 1937 under the supervision of the Department of Insurance. The Commission's responsibilities were the direction, management, control, and jurisdiction of all boxing, sparring, and wrestling matches or exhibitions held within the state. The commission received applications and issued licenses for exhibitions and enforced all rules and regulations regarding them. The Commission consisted of a chairman and two associate commissioners appointed by the Governor. In 1978, jurisdiction over racetracks was added to the Commission. The Commission was abolished on June 20, 1980.

### **SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE**

Record Group 65, Tennessee Athletic Commission, covers the period 1955-1974. The record group consists of minutes relating to the activities of the commission. Of interest are the discussions concerning problems incurred at various matches and the corresponding disciplinary actions taken.

## CONTAINER LIST

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