

7 ence to a crime, a fire, or an accident to any peace officer, physician,
8 hospital, ambulance service, or fire department knowing such infor-
9 mation to be false or fraudulent, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor
10 and upon conviction shall be fined not more than one hundred dollars
11 or imprisoned in the county jail not more than thirty days. However,
12 nothing herein shall prevent communication of such false or fraudu-
13 lent information if, at the time of the communication, the communi-
14 cant explains the source of the information and the details relevant
15 thereto.

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CHAPTER 1279

BOXING AND WRESTLING

S. F. 326

AN ACT to legalize professional boxing and wrestling.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

1 SECTION 1. As used in this Act, "boxing or wrestling match"
2 means a boxing, wrestling, or sparring contest or exhibition open to
3 the public for which the principals or contestants are paid for their
4 participation.

1 SEC. 2. There is hereby created a state commissioner of athletics
2 to be appointed by the governor. The commissioner shall serve at the
3 pleasure of the governor, and shall serve until his successor is ap-
4 pointed and qualified. The commissioner shall receive such compensa-
5 tion and expenses as may be approved by the governor.

1 SEC. 3. The commissioner shall appoint a secretary, who shall
2 keep a full and true record of all proceedings, and who shall perform
3 such other duties as the commissioner may prescribe. Under the direc-
4 tion of the commissioner the secretary shall issue subpoenas for the
5 attendance of witnesses before the commissioner and may administer
6 oaths in all matters pertaining to the duties of the commissioner.
7 The traveling and other necessary expenses, including the salary of
8 the secretary, shall be determined by the commissioner.

1 SEC. 4. No boxing or wrestling match shall be held within this
2 state except as provided in this Act. The commissioner may issue,
3 suspend or revoke a license to conduct boxing and wrestling matches
4 to any person. Nothing in this Act shall be construed to prohibit
5 amateur boxing or wrestling exhibitions. Every license shall be sub-
6 ject to such rules and regulations as the commissioner may prescribe.

1 SEC. 5. Every application for a license to conduct a boxing or
2 wrestling match shall be in writing and shall be verified. It shall con-
3 tain a recital of such facts as will show the applicant entitled to receive
4 a license, and in addition such other facts as the commissioner may by
5 rules require.

1 SEC. 6. A boxing match shall be not more than fifteen rounds in
2 length; and the contestants shall wear gloves weighing at least six
3 ounces during such contests. No person may take part in a boxing
4 match unless they have first passed a rigorous physical examination
5 to determine their fitness to engage in any such match. Said examina-
6 tion shall be conducted by a regular practicing physician designated
7 by the commissioner.

1 SEC. 7. Every person conducting a boxing or wrestling match in
2 this state shall, within twenty-four hours after such match, furnish
3 to the commissioner a written report, duly verified, showing the
4 number of tickets sold for such boxing or wrestling match, and the
5 amount of gross proceeds thereof, and such other matters as the com-
6 missioner may prescribe; and shall also within the said time pay to
7 the treasurer of state a tax of five percent of its total gross receipts,
8 after deducting any federal admission tax, from the sale of tickets of
9 admission to such boxing or wrestling match.

1 SEC. 8. Before any license shall be granted to any person to con-
2 duct any boxing or wrestling match, such applicant therefor shall
3 execute and file with the treasurer of state a bond in the sum of five
4 thousand dollars, payable to the state of Iowa, to be approved as to
5 form by the attorney general, and as to sufficiency of the sureties
6 thereon, by the commissioner, which bond shall be conditioned upon the
7 payment of the tax and penalties imposed by this Act. Upon the filing
8 and approval of such bond, the commissioner may issue to such appli-
9 cant a license as herein provided.

1 SEC. 9. If any person fails to make a report of any match within
2 the time prescribed by this Act, or whenever such report is unsatis-
3 factory to the commissioner, the commissioner may examine or cause
4 to be examined the books and records of such person, and subpoena
5 and examine under oath witnesses, for the purpose of determining the
6 total amount of the gross receipts for any match and the amount of
7 tax due pursuant to the provisions of this Act. The commissioner may,
8 as the result of such examination, fix and determine the tax, and may
9 also assess the licensee the reasonable cost of conducting the examina-
10 tion. If any person defaults in the payment of any tax due or the
11 costs incurred in making such examination, such person shall forfeit
12 to the state of Iowa the sum of five thousand dollars, which may be
13 recovered by the attorney general from the sureties of the bond re-
14 quired by section eight (8) of this Act.

1 SEC. 10. Sections seven hundred twenty-seven point two (727.2),
2 seven hundred twenty-seven point three (727.3), seven hundred
3 twenty-seven point four (727.4), and seven hundred twenty-seven
4 point five (727.5), Code 1966, are hereby repealed.

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