

SENATE BILL NO. 128

January 27, 1999, Introduced by Senator HART and referred to
the Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled
"The Michigan penal code,"
by amending sections 442 and 447 (MCL 750.442 and 750.447).

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 442. (1) ~~Participating in prize fight--Any~~ A person
2 who ~~shall be a party to, or engage~~ PARTICIPATES in a prize
3 fight in this state, or who ~~shall aid or abet therein, shall be~~
4 AIDS OR ABETS A PERSON IN HIS OR HER PARTICIPATION IN A PRIZE
5 FIGHT IN THIS STATE, IS guilty of a felony.

6 (2) AS USED IN THIS CHAPTER, "PRIZE FIGHT" MEANS A CONTEST
7 BETWEEN OPPONENTS THAT MEETS BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING:

8 (A) CONTESTANTS ARE AWARDED ANY FORM OF COMPENSATION OR
9 REMUNERATION FOR THEIR EFFORTS, WHETHER MONETARY OR OTHERWISE.

10 (B) CONTESTANTS ATTACK AND DEFEND THEMSELVES WITH FISTS,
11 HANDS, FEET, HEAD, ARMS, LEGS, OR ANY OTHER PART OF THE BODY,

1 WHETHER OR NOT GLOVES OR PADDING OR ANY EQUIPMENT, TOOL, OR
2 WEAPON IS USED.

3 Sec. 447. ~~Inapplicability of chapter--The provisions of~~
4 ~~this~~ THIS chapter ~~shall~~ DOES not apply to any ~~boxing~~ OF THE
5 FOLLOWING:

6 (A) BOXING, sparring, or wrestling matches, contests, or
7 exhibitions, conducted, held, or given pursuant to ~~the provi-~~
8 ~~sions of Act No. 328 of the Public Acts of 1919, as amended,~~
9 ~~being sections 8839 to 8859, inclusive, of the Compiled Laws of~~
10 ~~1929, and acts amendatory thereof~~ ARTICLE 8 OF THE OCCUPATIONAL
11 CODE, 1980 PA 299, MCL 339.801 TO 339.814, OR A CONTEST SPECIFI-
12 CALLY EXEMPTED FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THAT ARTICLE.

13 (B) WRESTLING MATCHES OR MARTIAL ARTS COMPETITIONS SANC-
14 TIONED BY THE NATIONAL COLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION, THE AMA-
15 TEUR ATHLETIC UNION, OR THE ATHLETIC BOARD OF CONTROL CREATED IN
16 SECTION 802 OF THE OCCUPATIONAL CODE, 1980 PA 299, MCL 339.802.