

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
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**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 0973H.02C  
Bill No.: HCS for HB 48  
Subject: Professional Registration and Licensing; Athletics  
Type: Original  
Date: March 27, 2023

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Bill Summary: This proposal modifies provisions relating to bare-knuckle fighting and the possession of knuckles.

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2024</b>	<b>FY 2025</b>	<b>FY 2026</b>
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2024</b>	<b>FY 2025</b>	<b>FY 2026</b>
Athletic Fund (0693)	\$2,728	\$1,301	\$1,145
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds</b>	<b>\$2,728</b>	<b>\$1,301</b>	<b>\$1,145</b>

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2024</b>	<b>FY 2025</b>	<b>FY 2026</b>
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2024</b>	<b>FY 2025</b>	<b>FY 2026</b>
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

- Estimated Net Effect (expenditures or reduced revenues) expected to exceed \$250,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act or at full implementation of the act.
- Estimated Net Effect (savings or increased revenues) expected to exceed \$250,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act or at full implementation of the act.

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2024</b>	<b>FY 2025</b>	<b>FY 2026</b>
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

## FISCAL ANALYSIS

### ASSUMPTION

#### Sections 317.001 to 317.019 – Bare Knuckle Fighting

Officials from the **Department of Commerce and Insurance (DCI)** state that it is estimated that with this proposed legislation, there would be up to 4 additional events per year that would need to be inspected by the Office of Athletics. Under the current language of this proposed legislation, the Office of Athletics believes that it will be able to conduct these additional inspections without any additional FTE. However, the Office of Athletics does believe that with these additional events, the current inspection staff will need to travel, some overnight, which the Office would request additional per diem to pay inspectors, one doctor and one executive director per each additional event. Additional cost for travel expenses would also be accounted for.

#### Revenue

Promoter -  $\$675 \times 4 \text{ events} = \$2,700$

Fighters -  $\$40 \times 40 \text{ fighters} \times 4 \text{ events} = \$6,400$

In summary, DCI assumes a revenue of \$9,100 each year as a result of the changes in this proposal.

#### Expenses

DCI assumes a cost (per diem) of \$6,372 in FY 2024, \$7,799 in FY 2025 and \$7,955 in FY 2026 to provide for the implementation of the changes in this proposal.

**Oversight** does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect the revenues and expenses as estimated by DCI in the fiscal note to the Office of Athletics Fund.

Officials from the **Department of Corrections**, the **Department of Public Safety - Missouri Highway Patrol**, the **Missouri Office of Prosecution Services** and the **Office of the State Public Defender** each assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their respective organizations. **Oversight** does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact in the fiscal note for these agencies.

In response to a previous version, officials from the **Office of the State Courts Administrator** assumed the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their organization. **Oversight** does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact in the fiscal note for OSCA.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT – State Government</u>	FY 2024 (10 Mo.)	FY 2025	FY 2026
<b>ATHLETIC FUND (0693)</b>			
<u>Revenue</u> – DCI §§317.001- 317.019 Licensing Fees & Events p. 3	\$9,100	\$9,100	\$9,100
<u>Cost</u> – DCI §§317.001- 317.019 Per Diem p. 3	(\$6,372)	(\$7,799)	(\$7,955)
<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT TO THE ATHLETIC FUND (0693)</b>	<b><u>\$2,728</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,301</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,145</u></b>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT – Local Government</u>	FY 2024 (10 Mo.)	FY 2025	FY 2026
	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>

FISCAL IMPACT – Small Business

Some fighters and promoters could have a positive fiscal impact as a result of this proposal.

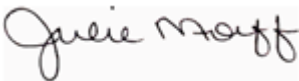
FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This bill authorizes the Division of Professional Registration, within the Department of Commerce and Insurance, to oversee professional bare knuckle fighting in Missouri. The Division will accept applications and issue licenses for contestants and licenses to hold bare knuckle fighting contests. The Division must issue mandatory medical suspensions for contestants who lose consciousness or are injured as a result of blows received to the head or body. The Division is also prohibited from issuing licenses to participate in bare knuckle fighting if the individual has been injured in such a manner that they cannot continue to participate. The Division will have the authority to promulgate rules to govern in every particular professional bare knuckle fighting.

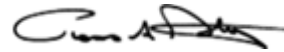
This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Commerce and Insurance  
Department of Corrections  
Department of Public Safety  
Missouri Highway Patrol  
Office of the State Public Defender  
Office of the State Courts Administrator



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