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1 A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to pugilistic exhibitions; providing a
3 popular name; amending s. 548.006, F.S.; requiring any
4 amateur boxing, kickboxing, or mixed martial arts match
5 held in this state to be sanctioned by a sanctioning body
6 approved by the Florida State Boxing Commission; amending
7 s. 548.007, F.S., relating to applicability of ch. 548,
8 F.S., to amateur matches and certain other matches or
9 events, to conform; amending s. 548.008, F.S.; increasing
10 the penalties for participating in or promoting a
11 professional or amateur toughman or badman match;
12 providing for construction of the act in pari materia with
13 laws enacted during the 2003 Regular Session, the 2003
14 Special Session A, or the 2003 Special Session B of the
15 Legislature; providing an effective date.

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17 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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19 Section 1. This act shall be known by the popular name the
20 "Stacy Young Act."

21 Section 2. Subsection (4) is added to section 548.006,
22 Florida Statutes, to read:

23 548.006 Power of commission to control pugilistic contests
24 and exhibitions; certification of competitiveness of mixed
25 martial arts and kickboxing matches.--

26 (4) Any amateur boxing, kickboxing, or mixed martial arts
27 match held in this state must be sanctioned by a sanctioning
28 body approved by the commission.

29 Section 3. Section 548.007, Florida Statutes, is amended
30 to read:



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31 548.007 Applicability of act to amateur matches and
32 certain other matches or events.--With the exception of ss.
33 548.006(4) and ~~s.~~ 548.008, ss. 548.001-548.079 do not apply to:

34 (1) Any match in which the participants are amateurs;

35 (2) Any match conducted or sponsored by a university,
36 college, or secondary school if all the participants are
37 students regularly enrolled in the institution;

38 (3) Any match conducted or sponsored by a nationally
39 chartered veterans' organization registered with the state;

40 (4) Any match conducted or sponsored by any company or
41 detachment of the Florida National Guard; or

42 (5) Any official Olympic event.

43 Section 4. Subsection (2) of section 548.008, Florida
44 Statutes, is amended to read:

45 548.008 Toughman and badman competition prohibited.--

46 (2) Any person participating in or promoting a
47 professional or amateur toughman or badman match commits ~~is~~
48 ~~guilty of a felony misdemeanor~~ of the third ~~second~~ degree,
49 punishable as provided in s. 775.082, ~~or~~ s. 775.083, or s.
50 775.084.

51 Section 5. If any law amended by this act was also amended
52 by a law enacted at the 2003 Regular Session, the 2003 Special
53 Session A, or the 2003 Special Session B of the Legislature,
54 such laws shall be construed as if they had been enacted at the
55 same session of the Legislature, and full effect shall be given
56 to each if possible.

57 Section 6. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.