

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to amateur matches; amending s. 548.007,
 3 F.S.; exempting amateur matches that are conducted or
 4 sponsored by the Fraternal Order of Police and that are
 5 held in conjunction with a charitable event from
 6 provisions regulating pugilistic contests and exhibitions;
 7 excluding the application of workers' compensation
 8 benefits; providing an effective date.

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

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 12 Section 1. Section 548.007, Florida Statutes, is amended
 13 to read:

14 548.007 Applicability of provisions to amateur matches and
 15 certain other matches or events.--With the exception of s.
 16 548.008, ss. 548.001-548.079 do not apply to:

17 (1) A match conducted or sponsored by a bona fide
 18 nonprofit school or education program whose primary purpose is
 19 instruction in the martial arts, boxing, or kickboxing, if the
 20 match held in conjunction with the instruction is limited to
 21 amateur participants who are students of the school or
 22 instructional program; ~~or~~

23 (2) A match conducted or sponsored by any company or
 24 detachment of the Florida National Guard, if the match is
 25 limited to participants who are members of the company or
 26 detachment of the Florida National Guard; or-

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27 (3) A match conducted or sponsored by the Fraternal Order
28 of Police, if the match is limited to amateur participants and
29 is held in conjunction with a charitable event.

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31 An accident or injury resulting from the participation in a
32 match under this section shall not be the basis for a claim
33 under chapter 440.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008.