

Amendment No. 1

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED	<u>    </u>	(Y/N)
ADOPTED AS AMENDED	<u>    </u>	(Y/N)
ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION	<u>    </u>	(Y/N)
FAILED TO ADOPT	<u>    </u>	(Y/N)
WITHDRAWN	<u>    </u>	(Y/N)
OTHER	<u>      </u>	

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1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Criminal Justice  
2 Subcommittee

3 Representative Yarkosky offered the following:

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5 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

6 Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert:

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8 Section 1. Section 871.05, Florida Statutes, is created to  
9 read:

10 871.05 Interference with a sporting or entertainment

11 event.--

12 (1) As used in this section, the term:

13 (a) "Restricted area" means any area designated for use by  
14 players, coaches, officials, performers, or other personnel  
15 administering a covered event that is on, or adjacent to, the  
16 area of play or performance.

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17 (b) "Covered event" means an athletic competition or  
18 practice, including one conducted in a public venue or a live  
19 artistic, theatrical, or other entertainment performance event.  
20 The duration of such event includes the period from the time  
21 when a venue is held open to the public for such an event until  
22 the end of the athletic competition or performance event.

23 (c) "Covered participant" means an umpire, officiating  
24 crew member, player, coach, manager, groundskeeper, or any  
25 artistic, theatrical, or other performer or sanctioned  
26 participant in a covered event. The term includes event  
27 operations and security employees working at a covered event.

28 (2) A person may not:

29 (a) Intentionally touch or strike a covered participant  
30 during a covered event against the will of the covered  
31 participant, or intentionally cause bodily harm to a covered  
32 participant during a covered event; or

33 (b) Willfully enter or remain in a restricted area during  
34 a covered event without being authorized, licensed, or invited  
35 to enter or remain in such a restricted area.

36 (3) A person who:

37 (a) Violates subsection (2) commits a misdemeanor of the  
38 first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or by a fine  
39 of not more than \$2,500.

40 (b) Solicits another person to violate subsection (2) by  
41 offering money or any other thing of value to another to engage

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42 in specific conduct that constitutes such a violation commits a  
43 felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s.  
44 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

45 (4) A person convicted under this section may not realize  
46 any profit or benefit, directly or indirectly, from committing  
47 such a violation. Any profit or benefit payable to or accruing  
48 to a person convicted of violating this section is subject to  
49 seizure and forfeiture as provided in the Florida Contraband  
50 Forfeiture Act.

51 Section 2. This act shall take effect October 1, 2023.

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54 **T I T L E A M E N D M E N T**

55 Remove everything before the enacting clause and insert:  
56 An act relating to interference with sporting or  
57 entertainment events; creating s. 871.05, F.S.;  
58 providing definitions; prohibiting certain actions  
59 during covered sporting and entertainment events;  
60 providing criminal penalties; prohibiting profiting  
61 from violations; providing for seizure and forfeiture  
62 of specified assets; providing an effective date.