

26 participant in a covered event. The term includes event
27 operations and security employees working at a covered event.

28 (c) "Restricted area" means any area designated for use by
29 players, coaches, officials, performers, or other personnel
30 administering a covered event that is on, or adjacent to, the
31 area of play or performance.

32 (2) A person may not:

33 (a) Intentionally touch or strike a covered participant
34 during a covered event against the will of the covered
35 participant, or intentionally cause bodily harm to a covered
36 participant during a covered event; or

37 (b) Willfully enter or remain in a restricted area during
38 a covered event without being authorized, licensed, or invited
39 to enter or remain in such a restricted area.

40 (3) A person who:

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

44 (b) Solicits another person to violate subsection (2) by
45 offering money or any other thing of value to another to engage
46 in specific conduct that constitutes such a violation commits a
47 felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s.
48 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

49 (4) A person convicted of a violation of this section may
50 not realize any profit or benefit, directly or indirectly, from

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51 committing such a violation. Any profit or benefit payable to or
52 accruing to a person convicted of a violation of this section is
53 subject to seizure and forfeiture as provided in the Florida
54 Contraband Forfeiture Act.

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