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**SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5502**

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**By** Senate Committee on Labor, Commerce & Financial Institutions  
(originally sponsored by Senator Prentice)

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1 AN ACT Relating to boxing official licensing; and amending RCW  
2 67.08.100.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 67.08.100 and 1999 c 282 s 7 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6 (1) The department upon receipt of a properly completed application  
7 and payment of a nonrefundable fee, may grant an annual license to an  
8 applicant for the following: (a) Promoter; (b) manager; (c) boxer; (d)  
9 second; (e) wrestling participant; (f) inspector; (g) judge; (h)  
10 timekeeper; (i) announcer; (j) event physician; (k) referee; (l)  
11 matchmaker; (m) kickboxer; and (n) martial arts participant.

12 (2) The application for the following types of licenses shall  
13 include a physical performed by a physician, as defined in RCW  
14 67.08.002, which was performed by the physician with a time period  
15 preceding the application as specified by rule: (a) Boxer; (b)  
16 wrestling participant; (c) kickboxer; (d) martial arts participant; and  
17 (e) referee.

18 (3) An applicant for the following types of licenses for the sports  
19 of boxing, kickboxing, and martial arts shall provide annual proof of

1 certification as having adequate experience, skill, and training from  
2 an organization approved by the department, including, but not limited  
3 to, the association of boxing commissions, the international boxing  
4 federation, the international boxing organization, the Washington state  
5 association of professional ring officials, the world boxing  
6 association, the world boxing council, or the world boxing organization  
7 for boxing officials, and the united full contact federation for  
8 kickboxing and martial arts officials: (a) Judge; (b) referee; (c)  
9 inspector; (d) timekeeper; or (e) other officials deemed necessary by  
10 the department.

11 (4) Any license may be revoked, suspended, or denied by the  
12 director for a violation of this chapter or a rule adopted by the  
13 director.

14 ~~((+4))~~ (5) No person shall participate or serve in any of the  
15 above capacities unless licensed as provided in this chapter.

16 ~~((+5))~~ (6) The referees, judges, timekeepers, event physicians,  
17 and inspectors for any boxing event shall be designated by the  
18 department from among licensed officials.

19 ~~((+6))~~ (7) The referee for any wrestling event shall be provided  
20 by the promoter and shall be licensed as a wrestling participant.

21 ~~((+7))~~ (8) The department shall immediately suspend the license or  
22 certificate of a person who has been certified pursuant to RCW  
23 74.20A.320 by the department of social and health services as a person  
24 who is not in compliance with a support order. If the person has  
25 continued to meet all other requirements for reinstatement during the  
26 suspension, reissuance of the license or certificate shall be automatic  
27 upon the department's receipt of a release issued by the department of  
28 social and health services stating that the licensee is in compliance  
29 with the order.

30 ~~((+8))~~ (9) A person may not be issued a license if the person has  
31 an unpaid fine outstanding to the department.

32 ~~((+9))~~ (10) A person may not be issued a license unless they are  
33 at least eighteen years of age.

34 ~~((+10))~~ (11) This section shall not apply to contestants or  
35 participants in events at which only amateurs are engaged in contests  
36 and/or fraternal organizations and/or veterans' organizations chartered  
37 by congress or the defense department or any recognized amateur  
38 sanctioning body recognized by the department, holding and promoting  
39 athletic events and where all funds are used primarily for the benefit

1 of their members. Upon request of the department, a promoter,  
2 contestant, or participant shall provide sufficient information to  
3 reasonably determine whether this chapter applies.

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