



1 "Manager" means any person who:

- 2 (1) Undertakes or has undertaken to represent in any way  
3 the interests of any mixed martial arts contestant in  
4 procuring, arranging, or conducting any contest in  
5 which the mixed martial arts contestant is to  
6 participate; provided that "manager" shall not include  
7 an attorney licensed to practice in this State while  
8 the attorney is representing the legal interests of a  
9 mixed martial arts contestant as a client; or
- 10 (2) Directs or controls the mixed martial arts activities  
11 of the mixed martial arts contestant.

12 "Mixed martial arts" means unarmed combat involving the  
13 use, subject to any applicable limits set forth in this chapter  
14 and any rules adopted to implement these limits, of a  
15 combination of techniques from different disciplines of martial  
16 arts, including grappling, kicking, and striking.

17 "Mixed martial arts contest" or "contest" means a contest  
18 or exhibition in which a mixed martial arts contestant competes  
19 with another mixed martial arts contestant, using mixed martial  
20 arts, for money, prize, purse, or other forms of compensation;  
21 provided that the term does not include amateur mixed martial  
22 arts contest.



1 "Mixed martial arts contestant" or "contestant" means a  
2 person who is trained in mixed martial arts and competes in a  
3 mixed martial arts contest.

4 "No rules combat, extreme or ultimate fighting, or similar  
5 contest" means a contest or exhibition performed in this State  
6 in which the contestants:

7 (1) Are permitted to use, with few or no rules or  
8 restrictions, a combination of combative contact  
9 techniques, including punches, kicks, chokes, joint  
10 locks, and other maneuvers, with or without the use of  
11 weapons, that place contestants at an unreasonably  
12 high risk of bodily injury or death; and

13 (2) Have received, directly or indirectly, any money,  
14 prize, reward, purse, or other compensation, or  
15 promise thereof, for the expenses of training, taking  
16 part in the contest, or winning the contest;

17 provided that the term does not include a contest involving the  
18 exclusive use of boxing, wrestling, kickboxing, martial arts, or  
19 mixed martial arts.

20 "Promoter" means an individual, corporation, joint venture,  
21 partnership, limited liability corporation, limited liability



1 partnership, or any other type of business entity that promotes,  
2 conducts, holds, or gives a mixed martial arts contest.

3       **§ -2 Executive officer.** The director shall assign an  
4 executive officer to carry out the director's activities,  
5 duties, and other obligations under this chapter.

6       **§ -3 Assistants.** The director may appoint and remove  
7 assistants. The director may direct one or more assistants to  
8 be present at any mixed martial arts contest and to supervise  
9 and control the mixed martial arts contest, in accordance with  
10 this chapter and the rules adopted by the director pursuant  
11 thereto. The assistants shall submit a written report to the  
12 executive officer in the manner and form prescribed by the  
13 director detailing the conditions prevailing at every contest.

14       **§ -4 Other employees.** Subject to chapter 76, the  
15 department may employ clerks, inspectors, and other employees as  
16 it deems necessary for the purposes of this chapter.

17       **§ -5 Authority to subpoena witnesses and administer**  
18 **oaths and penalties.** The director may issue subpoenas for the  
19 attendance of witnesses, with the same effect as if the  
20 subpoenas were issued in an action in the circuit court, and may  
21 administer oaths in all matters connected with the  
22 administration of this chapter. Disobedience of a subpoena and



1 false swearing before the executive officer or the director  
2 shall be attended by the same consequences and be subject to the  
3 same penalties as if disobedience or false swearing occurred in  
4 an action in the circuit court.

5       **§ -6 Powers and duties of the director.** (a) In  
6 addition to any other powers and duties authorized by law, the  
7 director shall have the following powers and duties:

8           (1) To adopt, amend, or repeal rules and forms necessary  
9           to effectuate this chapter. All rules shall be  
10           adopted pursuant to chapter 91 and shall have the  
11           force and effect of law. The rules may include, but  
12           not be limited to the following:

13           (A) An appropriate method of ensuring that all  
14           financial obligations are met by a promoter who  
15           conducts, holds, or gives a mixed martial arts  
16           contest;

17           (B) A public record accounting for the distribution  
18           of all tickets provided to the director by a  
19           promoter and anything else of value which is  
20           provided to the director;

21           (C) Clinics or seminars on health and safety for  
22           licensees deemed necessary by the director;



- 1 (D) A mandatory neurological examination for any  
2 mixed martial arts contestant who is knocked out  
3 in a mixed martial arts contest, and an eye  
4 examination as part of a mixed martial arts  
5 contestant's annual medical examination;
- 6 (E) An automatic medical suspension from mixed  
7 martial arts contests for a period of time to be  
8 determined by the director for any mixed martial  
9 arts contestant who is knocked out from head  
10 blows or who has received a severe beating about  
11 the head. The period of time of the automatic  
12 medical suspension shall be based upon the  
13 severity of the beating received by the mixed  
14 martial arts contestant;
- 15 (F) Procedures to evaluate the professional records  
16 and physician's certification of each mixed  
17 martial arts contestant participating in a mixed  
18 martial arts contest in the State and to deny  
19 authorization to a mixed martial arts contestant  
20 to fight when the requirements of this paragraph  
21 are not met;



1 (G) Procedures to ensure that no mixed martial artist  
2 is permitted to compete while under suspension  
3 from any entity that regulates mixed martial arts  
4 due to:

5 (i) A recent knockout or series of consecutive  
6 losses;

7 (ii) An injury, any required medical procedure,  
8 or a physician's denial of certification to  
9 compete;

10 (iii) Failure of any drug test; or

11 (iv) The use of false aliases or falsifying or  
12 attempting to falsify official  
13 identification cards or documents relating  
14 to mixed martial arts contests;

15 (H) Procedures to review a suspension if appealed by  
16 a mixed martial arts contestant, including an  
17 opportunity for the contestant to present  
18 contradictory evidence;

19 (I) Procedures to revoke a suspension if a mixed  
20 martial arts contestant furnishes proof of  
21 sufficiently improved medical or physical  
22 condition or furnishes proof that the suspension



1                   was not, or is no longer, warranted by the facts;

2                   and

3                   (J) Procedures to require updated medical and  
4                   criminal background checks prior to a contest and  
5                   at license renewal.

6           (2) To enforce this chapter and the rules adopted pursuant  
7           thereto;

8           (3) To discipline a person or entity who violates this  
9           chapter or the rules adopted pursuant thereto; and

10          (4) To appoint an advisory committee to assist with the  
11          implementation of this chapter and the rules adopted  
12          pursuant thereto.

13          (b) The director shall either establish a mixed martial  
14          arts registry or data bank on mixed martial arts contestants or  
15          use a registry or data bank already established and approved by  
16          the director, and issue identification cards to mixed martial  
17          arts contestants.

18          **§ -7 Jurisdiction of director.** (a) The director is  
19          vested with the sole jurisdiction, direction, management, and  
20          control over all mixed martial arts contests to be conducted,  
21          held, or given within the State; provided that this excludes  
22          amateur mixed martial arts contests. No mixed martial arts



1 contest shall be conducted, held, or given within the State  
2 except in accordance with this chapter and the rules adopted by  
3 the director pursuant thereto.

4 (b) No mixed martial arts contest shall take place unless  
5 the director has granted a permit for the proposed contest. In  
6 addition, the director shall not allow any mixed martial arts  
7 contest unless:

- 8 (1) The contest consists of not more than five rounds of a  
9 duration of not more than five minutes each with an  
10 interval of at least one minute between each round and  
11 the succeeding round;
- 12 (2) Each contestant is at least eighteen years of age, is  
13 not disqualified from competing in a similar mixed  
14 martial arts contest in another jurisdiction at the  
15 time of the contest, and does not use stimulants or  
16 banned substances before or during the contest;
- 17 (3) Each mixed martial arts contestant is examined one  
18 hour prior to the contest by at least one physician  
19 licensed under chapter 453 or 460 who shall certify in  
20 writing to the referee of the contest that the  
21 contestant is physically fit to engage therein;



- 1           (4) Each contestant furnishes to the director:
  - 2                   (A) A medical report of a medical examination
  - 3                           completed not less than six months before the
  - 4                           contest, at the sole expense of the promoter,
  - 5                           including the results of HIV and hepatitis
  - 6                           testing; and
  - 7                   (B) Previous fight records that establish the
  - 8                           contestant's fitness to compete in the contest;
- 9           (5) The contest is under the control of a licensed referee
- 10                   in the ring who has at least one year's experience in
- 11                   refereeing a match or exhibition involving mixed
- 12                   martial arts and who has passed a physical examination
- 13                   by a physician licensed under chapter 453 or 460,
- 14                   including an eye examination, within two years prior
- 15                   to the contest;
- 16           (6) The promoter has complied with sections       -8 and
- 17                           -9; and
- 18           (7) All participants have complied with the requirements
- 19                   of this chapter and rules adopted in accordance with
- 20                   chapter 91, including any rules or requirements that
- 21                   protect the safety of the contestants to the extent
- 22                   feasible.



1 (c) No person shall hold, promote, or participate in no  
2 rules combat, extreme or ultimate fighting, or similar contests.  
3 The director shall enforce the prohibition on no rules combat,  
4 extreme or ultimate fighting, or similar contests, and may adopt  
5 rules, pursuant to chapter 91, to enforce the prohibition. In  
6 addition to any applicable judicial remedy, a person who  
7 violates this subsection shall be subject to the penalties,  
8 fines, and other provisions applicable to violators of this  
9 chapter.

10 **§ -8 Licenses; promoters.** (a) A promoter may apply to  
11 the director for a license which shall be required to conduct,  
12 hold, or give mixed martial arts contests. The application  
13 shall be in writing, addressed to the director, and signed by  
14 the applicant, and shall include the following:

- 15 (1) Evidence of financial integrity in accordance with  
16 rules adopted by the director pursuant to chapter 91;  
17 and  
18 (2) Proof that the applicant has currently satisfied all  
19 of the applicable requirements of the department's  
20 business registration division.

21 (b) The application shall contain a recital of the facts  
22 as may be specified by the director for the director to



1 determine whether or not the applicant possesses the necessary  
2 physical, mental, moral, and financial qualifications to entitle  
3 the applicant to a license.

4 (c) The director shall not issue any license to conduct,  
5 hold, or give mixed martial arts contests unless the director is  
6 satisfied that the applicant has complied with the conditions of  
7 this chapter, possesses the necessary qualifications for a  
8 license, and is the real party in interest, and intends to  
9 conduct, hold, or give the mixed martial arts contest itself.  
10 The director shall not issue a promoter's license to an  
11 applicant if the applicant or any of the applicant's officers,  
12 partners, members, or associates have been convicted of any  
13 crime related to gambling or a crime that is directly related to  
14 the person's performance in the sport of mixed martial arts.

15 (d) A license may be revoked at any time if the director  
16 finds after a hearing that:

17 (1) The licensee is not the real party in interest or has  
18 not complied with this chapter or the rules of the  
19 director; or

20 (2) The licensee or any of the licensee's officers,  
21 partners, members, or associates have been convicted  
22 of any crime related to gambling or a crime that is



1 directly related to the person's performance in the  
2 sport of mixed martial arts.

3 (e) Every license shall be subject to this chapter and the  
4 rules of the director.

5 **§ -9 Permit required to hold each mixed martial arts**

6 **contest.** (a) The application for a license to promote mixed  
7 martial arts contests shall be accompanied by a fee as provided  
8 in rules adopted by the director pursuant to chapter 91.

9 (b) No mixed martial arts contest shall be held unless the  
10 director issues a permit for the contest. To obtain a permit to  
11 conduct, hold, or give a mixed martial arts contest, a promoter  
12 shall:

13 (1) Provide proof of medical insurance for mixed martial  
14 arts contestants in accordance with rules adopted by  
15 the director. All promoters shall be responsible for  
16 paying any deductible amount of the medical insurance  
17 policy;

18 (2) Submit all contracts with managers, mixed martial arts  
19 contestants, and venues, including any agreement of  
20 pre-contest training funds advanced to any contestant  
21 either by the promoter or manager or any party of



- 1 interest, to the director for the director's review  
2 and approval;
- 3 (3) Submit to the director, for the director's review and  
4 approval, all ring records of all mixed martial arts  
5 contestants scheduled to participate in the contest;
- 6 (4) Provide cashier's or certified checks made payable to  
7 each mixed martial arts contestant for the amount due  
8 the contestant or the contestant's manager, as the  
9 case may be, in accordance with the contracts approved  
10 by the director;
- 11 (5) Provide to the director written confirmation that an  
12 ambulance with paramedics and appropriate security  
13 have been obtained and will be present at all times at  
14 the venue of the mixed martial arts contest;
- 15 (6) Provide evidence to the director that security  
16 personnel and resources will be present in sufficient  
17 number and force to exercise crowd control and to  
18 protect spectators at the mixed martial arts contest;
- 19 (7) Provide to the director evidence that the mixed  
20 martial arts contest will be conducted in compliance  
21 with municipal fire codes; and



1 (8) Maintain sanitary conditions at the mixed martial arts  
2 contest.

3 (c) Failure, refusal, or neglect of any licensed promoter  
4 to comply with this section shall result in the automatic denial  
5 of a permit to hold the mixed martial arts contest.

6 (d) Licensed promoters may engage in promotions with other  
7 licensed promoters as long as each promoter holds a valid,  
8 unexpired license and has received the written approval of the  
9 director prior to the promotion.

10 (e) In addition to the payment of other fees and moneys  
11 due under this chapter, a licensed promoter shall pay:

12 (1) A license fee of three per cent of the first \$50,000  
13 of the total gross receipts from admission fees to a  
14 contest, exclusive of federal, state, and local taxes;

15 (2) A license fee of two per cent of the total gross  
16 receipts over \$50,000 from admission fees to a  
17 contest, exclusive of federal, state, and local taxes;

18 (3) Two per cent of the gross sales price for the sale,  
19 lease, or other exploitation of broadcasting,  
20 television, Internet, and motion picture rights for a  
21 contest, without any deductions for commission,  
22 brokerage fee, distribution fees, advertising,



1 contestants' purses, or any other expenses or charges,  
2 including federal, state, or local taxes; and

3 (4) Two per cent of the gross receipts from subscription  
4 or admission fees, exclusive of federal, state, and  
5 local taxes, charged for viewing within the State of a  
6 simultaneous telecast of a contest;

7 provided that payments under this subsection shall be deposited  
8 into a separate account in the compliance resolution fund and  
9 shall be used to cover the costs of administering this chapter  
10 and incurred by the advisory committee.

11 (f) Within seven days following a mixed martial arts  
12 contest, the promoter shall provide the director with an  
13 unedited video record of the contest in a format prescribed by  
14 the director.

15 (g) No mixed martial arts contest shall be commenced  
16 without a permit from the director pursuant to this section.

17 § -10 Licenses, participants. (a) Any person may apply  
18 to the director for a license to act as a physician, referee,  
19 judge, manager, second, or mixed martial arts contestant to  
20 participate, either directly or indirectly, in any mixed martial  
21 arts contest. The application shall be in writing, addressed to  
22 the director, and signed by the applicant. The application



1 shall contain a recital of facts as specified by the director  
2 for the director to determine whether or not the applicant  
3 possesses the necessary licensure and physical, mental, and  
4 moral qualifications to entitle the applicant to a license. The  
5 director shall adopt rules for licensure in accordance with  
6 chapter 91.

7 (b) In addition, the applicant for a referee, judge,  
8 manager, or second license shall take and pass a written  
9 examination as provided by the director. The director may  
10 exempt an applicant for a manager or second license from taking  
11 the examination, if the applicant holds a valid manager or  
12 second license in another jurisdiction with comparable mixed  
13 martial arts regulations.

14 (c) Any license to act as a physician, referee, judge,  
15 manager, second, or mixed martial arts contestant may be  
16 suspended or revoked, or the person otherwise disciplined by the  
17 director after a contested case hearing held in accordance with  
18 chapter 91.

19 (d) No license shall be granted to a contestant or  
20 promoter unless the contestant or promoter has authorized the  
21 Hawaii criminal data justice center to release a criminal



1 history record check on the contestant to the director and the  
2 director has received the criminal history record information.

3       **§ -11 License fees.** License fees shall be paid  
4 biennially to the State by every applicant to whom a license is  
5 issued to participate in the conduct of mixed martial arts in  
6 any of the following capacities set forth in this chapter:  
7 promoter, physician, referee, judge, manager, second, and mixed  
8 martial arts contestant. The charge for a duplicate license and  
9 all fees required by this chapter shall be as provided in rules  
10 adopted by the director pursuant to chapter 91 and shall be  
11 deposited with the director to the credit of the compliance  
12 resolution fund.

13       **§ -12 Licenses, limitations, renewals.** (a) No mixed  
14 martial arts contest shall be conducted, held, or given unless  
15 all the parties participating, as designated in this chapter,  
16 are licensed by the director, and it shall be unlawful for any  
17 individual or promoter to participate in a contest in any  
18 capacity designated in this chapter unless the person is  
19 licensed to do so.

20       (b) The director may limit the number of licenses issued  
21 for any purpose as specified in this chapter and may limit the



1 number of mixed martial arts contests conducted, held, or given  
2 in any county or state.

3 (c) All licenses shall be for a period of not more than  
4 two years and all licenses shall expire on December 31 of each  
5 even-numbered year.

6 (d) The director, at the director's discretion and upon  
7 application, may renew a license for the following biennium.  
8 Failure to timely apply for renewal of any license shall result  
9 in the automatic forfeiture of the license. Any applicant whose  
10 license has been forfeited shall file an application for a new  
11 license and meet all current requirements, including successful  
12 passage of the examination, as the case may be, for the license.

13 (e) Every individual or promoter licensed under this  
14 chapter shall be subject to the rules adopted by the director.

15 **§ -13 Receipts and reports thereon.** (a) Every promoter  
16 holding a license to conduct, hold, or give mixed martial arts  
17 contests, within seventy-two hours after the determination of  
18 every contest for which admission fees are charged and received,  
19 shall furnish to the director a written report, duly verified,  
20 showing the number of tickets sold for the contest, the amount  
21 of the gross receipts or proceeds thereof, and other matters as  
22 the director prescribes.



1 (b) For purposes of this section, "gross receipts"  
2 includes income received from the sale of print, internet,  
3 broadcasting, television, and motion picture rights.

4 **§ -14 Failure to report receipts.** Whenever any promoter  
5 holding a license to conduct, hold, or give mixed martial arts  
6 contests fails to make a report of any contest at the time and  
7 in the manner prescribed by this chapter, or whenever the report  
8 is unsatisfactory to the director, the executive officer, at the  
9 licensee's expense, may examine or cause to be examined, the  
10 books and records of the promoter.

11 **§ -15 Admission tickets.** All tickets of admission to  
12 any mixed martial arts contest for which admission fees are  
13 charged and received shall have printed clearly upon the face  
14 thereof the purchase price of same, and no ticket shall be sold  
15 for more than the price as printed thereon.

16 **§ -16 Inspectors; duties.** The director shall appoint  
17 official representatives designated as inspectors, each of whom  
18 shall receive from the director a card or badge authorizing the  
19 person to act as inspector whenever the director may designate  
20 the person to so act. An inspector or the executive officer  
21 shall be present at all mixed martial contests and see that this



1 chapter and the rules adopted pursuant thereto are strictly  
2 observed.

3       **§ -17 Judges; duties.** The director, in the director's  
4 discretion may appoint two licensed judges to act with the  
5 referee in rendering a decision, or three licensed judges to act  
6 with a nonvoting referee in rendering a decision.

7       **§ -18 Physician; duties.** Every promoter holding a  
8 license to conduct, hold, or give mixed martial arts contests  
9 shall have in attendance at every contest at least two  
10 physicians licensed to practice medicine in the State under  
11 chapter 453 or 460, who shall observe the physical condition of  
12 the mixed martial arts contestants and advise the referee with  
13 regard thereto and, one hour before each contestant enters the  
14 ring, certify in writing as to the physical condition of the  
15 contestant to engage in the contest. A report of the medical  
16 examination shall be filed with the director not later than  
17 forty-eight hours after the termination of the contest. In  
18 addition, at least one physician shall immediately examine every  
19 contestant who was knocked down or who sustained a severe  
20 beating about the head during the contest and shall file a  
21 written medical opinion within forty-eight hours of the contest  
22 to the executive officer.



1           **§ -19 Referees; duties.** (a) At each mixed martial arts  
2 contest there shall be in attendance a duly licensed referee  
3 designated by the director, who shall direct and control the  
4 contest. The referee shall render a decision for each contest,  
5 except as otherwise provided under section -17.

6           (b) The referee may recommend and the director, in the  
7 director's discretion, may declare the termination of the  
8 contest or the forfeiture of any prize, purse, or remuneration,  
9 or any part thereof, to which one or both of the mixed martial  
10 arts contestants may be entitled, or any part of the gate  
11 receipts for which the contestants are competing, if in the  
12 director's judgment one or both of the contestants are not  
13 honestly competing.

14           (c) Each referee shall warn contestants of the referee's  
15 power to terminate the contest or to recommend the forfeiture of  
16 any purse or purses, should there be any apparent cause for the  
17 warning.

18           (d) In any case where the referee decides that the  
19 contestants are not honestly competing and that under the law  
20 the contest should be terminated or that the purse or purses of  
21 one or both of the contestants should be forfeited, the contest  
22 shall be stopped before the end of the last round, and no



1 decision shall be given. A contestant earns nothing and shall  
2 not be paid for a contest in which there is stalling, faking,  
3 dishonesty, or collusion. The director, independently of the  
4 referee or the referee's decision, may determine the merits of  
5 any contest and take whatever action the director considers  
6 proper. In any case, the executive officer may order the purse  
7 of the offender held up for investigation and action.

8 (e) The referee shall stop the contest when, in the  
9 referee's judgment, either of the contestants shows a marked  
10 superiority or is apparently outclassed.

11 **§ -20 Drug test; withholding of wages; penalty.** (a) On  
12 the advice of one or both of the physicians in attendance at  
13 every contest, a post-contest drug test may be administered to  
14 any contestant, at the sole expense of the promoter, to  
15 determine whether the contestant has consumed any illegal drugs  
16 or drugs banned by the commission.

17 (b) Any wages due to a contestant shall be withheld by the  
18 commission until the commission, in consultation with the two  
19 attending physicians, is satisfied that the contestant did not  
20 have the presence of any illegal or banned drugs in his person.

21 (c) Any contestant who fails a drug test shall have the  
22 contestant's license suspended by the commission for not less



1 than twelve months from the date of the offense and, in the  
2 discretion of the commission, may have his license permanently  
3 revoked.

4       **§ -21 Sham mixed martial arts contest; forfeiture of**  
5 **license.** Any promoter who conducts, holds, gives, or  
6 participates in any sham or fake mixed martial arts contest,  
7 knowing the same to be a sham or fake, shall forfeit the license  
8 issued in accordance with this chapter, and the license shall be  
9 canceled and declared void by the director. The promoter and  
10 any officers, partners, or members of the promoter shall not  
11 thereafter be entitled to receive and shall not be given another  
12 license.

13       **§ -22 Sham mixed martial arts contest; penalty against**  
14 **contestant.** Any mixed martial arts contestant who knowingly  
15 participates in any sham or false mixed martial arts contest  
16 shall be suspended by the director for not less than twelve  
17 months from the date of the offense from further participation  
18 in any contest held or given under this chapter and may be  
19 permanently disqualified from further participation in any  
20 contest held or given under this chapter.

21       **§ -23 Financial interest in mixed martial arts**  
22 **contestant prohibited.** (a) The director shall not receive any



1 compensation from any person who sanctions, arranges, or  
2 promotes mixed martial arts contests; nor shall the director  
3 have, either directly or indirectly, any financial interest in  
4 any contestant competing in any mixed martial arts contest.

5 (b) For the purposes of this section, "compensation" shall  
6 not include funds held in escrow for payment to another person  
7 in connection with a mixed martial arts contest. The  
8 prohibition set forth in this section shall not apply to any  
9 contract entered into, or any reasonable compensation received,  
10 by the director to supervise a mixed martial arts contest in  
11 this State or another state.

12 **§ -24 Wages of contestant; prepayment prohibited.** All  
13 moneys paid to a mixed martial arts contestant for services, as  
14 money prize, reward, compensation, or otherwise, shall be  
15 considered wages. No contestant shall be paid for services  
16 before a mixed martial arts contest; provided that with the  
17 approval of the director, a promoter may advance sums of money  
18 for training purposes.

19 **§ -25 Disposition of receipts.** Except as otherwise  
20 provided for in this chapter, all fees and other moneys received  
21 by the director shall be deposited into the compliance  
22 resolution fund.



1           **§ -26 Summary disciplinary action.** The director may  
2 fine, withhold purse money or fees, and issue immediate  
3 temporary suspensions of not more than sixty days against a  
4 licensee for violations of this chapter or rules adopted  
5 pursuant thereto. The director shall notify the licensee in  
6 writing of any temporary suspension, fine, or withholding of  
7 purse money within five days of the director's action. The  
8 licensee shall have a right to a hearing in accordance with  
9 chapter 91; provided that the licensee notifies the director in  
10 writing of the request for a hearing within thirty days after  
11 the director notifies the licensee in writing, by mail or  
12 personal service, of the director's order.

13           **§ -27 Chapter does not apply to active duty armed**  
14 **forces, national guard, armed forces reserve, or Police**  
15 **Activities League.** This chapter shall not apply to any mixed  
16 martial arts contest held as a recreational activity by active  
17 duty armed forces, armed forces reserve, or national guard  
18 personnel, or the Police Activities League, when the contest is  
19 held under the supervision of a recreational officer of the  
20 active duty armed forces, armed forces reserve, national guard,  
21 or a Police Activities League staff member.



1           **§ -28 Revocation; suspension.** (a) In addition to any  
2 other acts or conditions provided by law, the director may  
3 refuse to renew, reinstate, or restore or may deny, revoke,  
4 suspend, fine, reprimand, or condition in any manner, the  
5 license of any person or entity issued for this chapter, for any  
6 cause authorized by law, including but not limited to the  
7 following:

- 8           (1) Violation of any provision of this chapter or the  
9           rules adopted pursuant thereto, or any other law or  
10           rule that applies to those persons licensed under this  
11           chapter;
- 12           (2) Manifest incapacity, professional misconduct, or  
13           unethical conduct;
- 14           (3) Making any false representations or promises through  
15           advertising or other dissemination of information;
- 16           (4) Any fraudulent, dishonest, or deceitful act in  
17           connection with the licensing of any promoter under  
18           this chapter or in connection with any mixed martial  
19           arts contest;
- 20           (5) Making any false or misleading statement in any  
21           application or document submitted or required to be  
22           filed under this chapter;



1 (6) Revocation or suspension of a license or other  
2 disciplinary action against the licensee by any other  
3 regulatory entity over mixed martial arts contests;

4 (7) Failure to report any disciplinary action, including  
5 medical and mandatory suspensions, or revocation or  
6 suspension of a license in another jurisdiction not  
7 less than fifteen days preceding any mixed martial  
8 arts match in which the licensee participates or  
9 within thirty days following the disciplinary  
10 decision, whichever is earlier; or

11 (8) Participation in any sham or false mixed martial arts  
12 contest.

13 (b) A manager may be held responsible for all violations  
14 of this chapter by a mixed martial arts contestant whom the  
15 manager manages and may be subject to license revocation or  
16 suspension, or a fine, or any combination thereof, irrespective  
17 of whether any disciplinary action is taken against the mixed  
18 martial arts contestant.

19 **§ -29 Penalties.** (a) Any person in violation of this  
20 chapter or the rules adopted pursuant thereto shall be fined not  
21 more than \$5,000 for each violation. Each day's violation or  
22 failure to comply shall be deemed a separate offense.



1 (b) In addition to the penalties provided in this chapter,  
2 any person in violation of this chapter may be prohibited from  
3 engaging in any mixed martial arts activities in the State for a  
4 period in conformity with that set forth in section 92-17.

5 § -30 **Cumulative penalties.** Unless otherwise expressly  
6 provided, the remedies or penalties provided by this chapter are  
7 cumulative to each other and to the remedies or penalties  
8 available under all other laws of this State.

9 § -31 **Injunctive relief.** The director may, in addition  
10 to any other remedies available, bring an action in any court of  
11 this State to enjoin a person from continuing any violation of  
12 this chapter or doing any acts in furtherance thereof, and for  
13 any other relief that the court deems appropriate."

14 SECTION 2. Chapter 440D, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
15 repealed.

16 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general  
17 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much  
18 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2007-2008 to fund  
19 the operational and administrative expenses of regulating mixed  
20 martial arts contests.

21 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of  
22 commerce and consumer affairs for the purposes of this Act.



1 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2020.



**Report Title:**

Mixed Martial Arts; Prohibition on No Rules Combat

**Description:**

Gives the director of commerce and consumer affairs licensing authority over mixed martial arts contests. Prohibits no rules combat, extreme or ultimate fighting, or similar contests.

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