#### THE SENATE TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE, 2010 STATE OF HAWAII

# S.B. NO. **2399**

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### A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MIXED MARTIAL ARTS.

#### BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1	SECTION 1. Chapter 440E, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended by adding two new sections to be appropriately
3	designated and to read as follows:
4	"§440E- Amateur mixed martial arts. This chapter, with
5	the exception of section 440E-7(a)(2) and (4), shall apply to
6	amateur mixed martial arts contests.
7	<u>§440E-</u> Control and supervision of amateur mixed martial
8	arts contests. Amateur mixed martial arts contests may be
9	placed under the control and supervision of any recognized
10	national amateur mixed martial arts association. The director
11	shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 91 for the purposes of
12	this section."
13	SECTION 2. Section 440E-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
14	amended by adding a new definition to be appropriately inserted
15	and to read as follows:
16	""Amateur mixed martial arts contestant" means a person who
17	is trained in mixed martial arts and competes in an amateur
18	mixed martial arts contest."



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1 SECTION 3. Section 440E-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 2 amended by amending the definition of "mixed martial arts 3 contest" or "contest" to read as follows: 4 ""Mixed martial arts contest" or "contest" means a contest 5 or exhibition in a mixed martial arts event in which a mixed martial arts contestant competes with another mixed martial arts 6 7 contestant, using mixed martial arts, and in which any 8 contestant in the mixed martial arts event receives any money, 9 prize, purse, or other forms of compensation [; provided that the 10 term does not include an amateur mixed martial arts contest]." 11 SECTION 4. Section 440E-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 12 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows: 13 "(a) The director is vested with the sole jurisdiction, 14 direction, management, and control over all mixed martial arts contests to be conducted, held, or given within the State [+ 15 16 provided that this excludes amateur mixed martial arts 17 contests]. No mixed martial arts contest shall be conducted, 18 held, or given within the State except in accordance with this 19 chapter and the rules adopted by the director pursuant thereto." 20 SECTION 5. Section 440E-8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows: 21



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1 "(a) Any person may apply to the director for a license to 2 act as a physician, referee, judge, manager, second, or mixed 3 martial arts contestant to participate, either directly or indirectly, in any mixed martial arts contest. The application 4 5 shall be in writing, on a form prescribed by the director, and 6 signed by the applicant. The application shall contain a 7 recital of facts as specified by the director for the director 8 to determine whether or not the applicant possesses the 9 necessary licensure and physical, mental, and moral 10 qualifications to entitle the applicant to a license. The 11 license requirement shall not apply to amateur mixed martial arts contestants; provided that an amateur mixed martial arts 12 13 contestant shall be required to pass a physical examination conducted by a person licensed to practice medicine under 14 15 chapter 453 prior to engaging in a mixed martial arts contest. 16 The director shall adopt rules for licensure in accordance with 17 chapter 91." SECTION 6. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed 18

and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.



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SECTION 7. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2010.

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Report Title: Amateur Mixed Martial Arts

#### Description:

Includes amateur mixed martial arts under the regulation of mixed martial arts by the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs.

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