

### Fiscal Estimate - 2011 Session

Original       Updated       Corrected       Supplemental

LRB Number **11-0062/1**      Introduction Number **AB-0308**

**Description**  
Authorizing a town to prohibit mixed martial arts fighting contests

**Fiscal Effect**

**State:**  
 No State Fiscal Effect  
 Indeterminate  
     Increase Existing Appropriations       Increase Existing Revenues       Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget  
     Decrease Existing Appropriations       Decrease Existing Revenues       Yes       No  
     Create New Appropriations       Decrease Costs

**Local:**  
 No Local Government Costs  
 Indeterminate  
    1.  Increase Costs      3.  Increase Revenue      **5. Types of Local Government Units Affected**  
         Permissive  Mandatory       Permissive  Mandatory       Towns       Village       Cities  
    2.  Decrease Costs      4.  Decrease Revenue       Counties       Others  
         Permissive  Mandatory       Permissive  Mandatory       School Districts       WTCS Districts

**Fund Sources Affected**      **Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations**  
 GPR    FED    PRO    PRS    SEG    SEGS

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## Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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### Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Under current law, all regulatory powers over amateur and professional mixed martial arts fighting contests are exercised by the state. Responsibility for the exercise of these powers is assigned to the Department of Safety and Professional Services (DSPS). The DSPS imposes certain fees on amateur and professional mixed martial arts fight promoters. The Department of Revenue (DOR) has no role in the regulation of the affected events or collection of administrative fees.

Under the bill, a town board would be permitted to enact and enforce an ordinance that would prohibit a person from participating in, operating, maintaining, attending, or promoting an amateur or professional mixed martial arts fighting contest. This power to effectively prohibit these fighting events would not apply in villages and cities.

To the extent that towns choose to enact ordinances prohibiting mixed martial fighting contests, and to the extent that this would lead to a reduction in the number of such events held in the state, the following could occur: (1) state and county sales tax collections from admission fees to these events would decline, and (2) state income tax due on fight promoters' profits and participants winnings would decline. These declines are expected to be minimal.

To the extent that these fighting events impose costs on towns, which could be caused by the need to provide additional police protection services at fight venues, the bill could reduce town costs. The DOR does not have information which would permit an accurate estimate of the cost savings this bill could create, but such savings are expected to be minimal.

### Long-Range Fiscal Implications