

ADMINISTRATIVE RULES Fiscal Estimate & Economic Impact Analysis

1. Type of Estimate and Analysis

Original Updated Corrected

2. Administrative Rule Chapter, Title and Number

SPS 110 to 116 and 192

3. Subject

Unarmed combat sports

4. Fund Sources Affected

GPR FED PRO PRS SEG SEG-S

5. Chapter 20, Stats. Appropriations Affected

20.165(1)(g)

6. Fiscal Effect of Implementing the Rule

No Fiscal Effect Increase Existing Revenues Increase Costs
 Indeterminate Decrease Existing Revenues Could Absorb Within Agency's Budget
 Decrease Cost

7. The Rule Will Impact the Following (Check All That Apply)

State's Economy Specific Businesses/Sectors
 Local Government Units Public Utility Rate Payers
 Small Businesses (if checked, complete Attachment A)

8. Would Implementation and Compliance Costs Be Greater Than \$20 million?

Yes No

9. Policy Problem Addressed by the Rule

The proposed rules reflect the provisions of 2015 Wisconsin Act 277, which requires the department to regulate all unarmed combat sports. As provided under s. 444.01 (5), Stats., "unarmed combat sports" means any form of fighting in which the objective is for a contestant to injure, disable, or incapacitate one's opponent, but does not include any fighting in a contest for which the rules prohibit a contestant from striking an opponent's head.

Current rules regulate professional boxing and professional and amateur mixed martial arts. The proposed rules expand existing regulations to include professional and amateur kickboxing and Muay Thai, and provide a means for approval of other unarmed combat sports.

The proposed rules also update the regulations for professional boxing and professional and amateur mixed martial arts to reflect current regulatory practices and provide consistency in the regulation of all unarmed combat sports.

10. Summary of the businesses, business sectors, associations representing business, local governmental units, and individuals that may be affected by the proposed rule that were contacted for comments.

The proposed rule was posted on the Department of Safety and Professional Services' website for 14 days in order to solicit comments from businesses, representative associations, local governmental units, and individuals that may be affected by the rule.

Comments were received from 5 individuals suggesting the regulatory provisions in the proposed rules will have a negative economic impact on one previously unregulated kickboxing event held annually in Waukesha. These comments were taken into consideration in the department's analysis of the economic impact of the proposed rules.

11. Identify the local governmental units that participated in the development of this EIA.

No local governmental units participated in the development of this EIA.

12. Summary of Rule's Economic and Fiscal Impact on Specific Businesses, Business Sectors, Public Utility Rate Payers, Local Governmental Units and the State's Economy as a Whole (Include Implementation and Compliance Costs Expected to be Incurred)

Please see the [fiscal estimate](#) that was submitted with the bill associated with 2015 Wisconsin Act 277. There is no new or additional impact.

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13. Benefits of Implementing the Rule and Alternative(s) to Implementing the Rule

The benefit to implementing the rule is providing clarity and updated regulation of unarmed combat sports. If the rule is not implemented, it will continue to reference outdated regulations.

14. Long Range Implications of Implementing the Rule

The long range implication of implementing the rule is clarity and updated regulation of unarmed combat sports.

15. Compare With Approaches Being Used by Federal Government

Chapter 89 of Title 15 of the United States Code regulates the safety of professional boxing. As professional boxing and the use of boxing techniques fall under the definition of unarmed combat sports in chapter 444 of the statutes, the requirements in 15 USC chapter 89 affect the regulation of unarmed combat sports proposed by the rule. The regulations in the proposed rules neither duplicate nor conflict with existing federal regulations.

16. Compare With Approaches Being Used by Neighboring States (Illinois, Iowa, Michigan and Minnesota)

Illinois:

The Division of Professional Regulation of the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation regulates professional boxing; professional and amateur mixed martial arts; and full-contact martial arts including Karate, Kung Fu, Jujitsu, Muay Thai, Tae Kwon Do, and kickboxing (68 Ill. Adm. Code 1370.10 to 1370.780).

Iowa:

The Division of Labor of the Iowa Workforce Development regulates professional and amateur boxing, professional and amateur mixed martial arts, and professional wrestling (875 IAC 169 to 177).

Michigan:

The Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs regulates unarmed combat (875 IAC 169 to 177). Unarmed combat is defined in the Michigan statutes (MCL 338.3611 (m)) as professional boxing, professional or amateur mixed martial arts, or any other form of competition in which a blow is usually struck or another fighting technique is applied that may reasonably be expected to inflict injury.

Minnesota:

The Minnesota Boxing Commission regulates boxing and tough person contests (Minnesota Rules, Part 2201.0010 to 2201.0500). The Minnesota Combative Sports Commission regulates professional and amateur mixed martial arts (Minnesota Rules, Part 2202.0010 to 2202.1200)

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