IC 35-45-18

Chapter 18. Combative Fighting

IC 35-45-18-0.1

Repealed

(Repealed by P.L.63-2012, SEC.67.)

IC 35-45-18-1

"Combative fighting"

- Sec. 1. (a) As used in this chapter, "combative fighting" (also known as "toughman fighting", "badman fighting", and "extreme fighting") means a match, contest, or exhibition that involves at least (2) contestants, with or without gloves or protective headgear, in which the contestants:
 - (1) use their:
 - (A) hands;
 - (B) feet; or
 - (C) both hands and feet;

to strike each other; and

- (2) compete for a financial prize or any item of pecuniary value.
- (b) The term does not include:
 - (1) a boxing, sparring, or unarmed combat match regulated under IC 4-33-22;
 - (2) mixed martial arts (as defined by IC 4-33-22-2);
 - (3) martial arts, as regulated by the gaming commission in rules adopted under IC 4-33-22;
 - (4) professional wrestling, as regulated by the gaming commission in rules adopted under IC 4-33-22; or
 - (5) a match, contest, or game in which a fight breaks out among the participants as an unplanned, spontaneous event and not as an intended part of the match, contest, or game.

As added by P.L.112-2007, SEC.2. Amended by P.L.160-2009, SEC.49; P.L.113-2010, SEC.107.

IC 35-45-18-2

Combative fighting

Sec. 2. A person who knowingly or intentionally participates in combative fighting commits unlawful combative fighting, a Class C misdemeanor.

As added by P.L.112-2007, SEC.2.

IC 35-45-18-3

Unlawful promotion or organization of combative fighting

Sec. 3. A person who knowingly or intentionally promotes or organizes combative fighting commits unlawful promotion or organization of combative fighting, a Class A misdemeanor. However, the offense is a Level 6 felony if, within the five (5) years preceding the commission of the offense, the person had a prior unrelated conviction under this section.

As added by P.L.112-2007, SEC.2. Amended by P.L.158-2013,