AN ACT CONCERNING BOXING EVENTS AND MIXED MARTIAL ARTS MATCHES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

That (1) section 12-541 of the general statutes be amended to provide an exemption from the admissions tax to any professional boxing event or mixed martial arts match, (2) section 29-143m of the general statutes be repealed to eliminate the payment of tax by promoters of such events or matches to the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection, and (3) section 29-143aa of the general statutes be amended to require any person who employs a competitor in a mixed martial arts match to provide insurance to such competitor for any injuries sustained while participating in the match in the same manner as a promoter provides insurance to a boxer participating in a contest or exhibition.

Statement of Purpose:
To promote professional boxing events and mixed martial arts matches in the state by exempting such events and matches from the
admissions tax, eliminating a tax paid by promoters of such events and matches and requiring promoters of mixed martial arts matches to provide insurance to competitors.