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Introduced by M. of A. TOWNS -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. DelMONTE,
RAIA, WALKER -- read once and referred to the Committee on Tourism,
Arts and Sports Development -- committee discharged, bill amended,
ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend chapter 912 of the laws of 1920 allowing and regulating
boxing, sparring and wrestling matches, and establishing a state
boxing commission, in relation to exempting white collar boxers from
the provisions of such act

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEM-
BLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 Section 1. Section 31 of chapter 912 of the laws of 1920 allowing and
2 regulating boxing, sparring and wrestling matches, and establishing a
3 state boxing commission, as amended by chapter 437 of the laws of 2002,
4 is amended to read as follows:
5 S 31. Exceptions. The provisions of this act except as provided in
6 section 29 of this act shall not be construed to apply to any sparring
7 or boxing contest or exhibition conducted under the supervision or the
8 control of the New York state national guard or naval militia where all
9 of the contestants are members of the active militia; nor to any such
10 contest or exhibition where the contestants are all amateurs, sponsored
11 by or under the supervision of any university, college, school or other
12 institution of learning, recognized by the regents of the state of New
13 York; nor to any such contest or exhibitions where the contestants are
14 all amateurs sponsored by or under the supervision of the U. S. Amateur
15 Boxing Federation or its local affiliates or the American Olympic Asso-
16 ciation; NOR TO ANY SUCH CONTEST OR EXHIBITION WHERE THE CONTESTANTS ARE
17 ALL WHITE COLLAR BOXERS SPONSORED BY OR UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF UNITED
18 STATES WHITE COLLAR BOXING, INC.; nor except as to the extent provided
19 in sections 5, 9, 19, 20, 28-a, 28-b and 33 of this act, to any profes-
20 sional wrestling contest or exhibition as defined in this act. For the
21 purpose of this act, an amateur is deemed to mean a person who engages

EXPLANATION--Matter in *ITALICS* (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[] is old law to be omitted.

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1 in boxing, sparring or wrestling contests and exhibitions where no cash
2 prizes are awarded to participants, and where the prize competed for
3 shall not in value exceed thirty-five dollars or, in boxing, a maximum
4 amount established by the U.S. Amateur Boxing Federation. FOR THE
5 PURPOSES OF THIS ACT, THE TERM "WHITE COLLAR BOXER" SHALL MEAN A PERSON
6 WHO IS NOT A PROFESSIONAL BOXER NOR AN AMATEUR REGISTERED WITH THE U.S.
7 AMATEUR BOXING FEDERATION, AND WHO ENGAGES IN BOXING OR SPARRING
8 CONTESTS OR EXHIBITIONS WHERE NO CASH PRIZES ARE AWARDED TO PARTIC-
9 IPANTS, AND WHERE THE PRIZE COMPETED FOR SHALL NOT EXCEED, IN VALUE,
10 THIRTY-FIVE DOLLARS OR A MAXIMUM AMOUNT ESTABLISHED BY UNITED STATES
11 WHITE COLLAR BOXING, INC. Any individual, association, corporation or
12 club, except elementary or high schools or equivalent institutions of
13 learning recognized by the regents of the state of New York, who or
14 which conducts an amateur contest OR A WHITE COLLAR BOXING CONTEST
15 pursuant to this section must register with THE APPROPRIATE SANCTIONING
16 BODY, NAMELY the U. S. Amateur Boxing Federation or its local
17 affiliates, OR UNITED STATES WHITE COLLAR BOXING, INC. and abide by
18 [its] THE rules and regulations OF THE APPROPRIATE SANCTIONING BODY.
19 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.