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Introduced by M. of A. L. ROSENTHAL -- read once and referred to the Committee on Agriculture

AN ACT to amend the agriculture and markets law, in relation to the prohibition of animal fighting

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Subdivision 4 of section 351 of the agriculture and markets law, as added by chapter 150 of the laws of 1984, is amended to read as follows:

- 4 4. (a) Any person who engages in conduct specified in paragraph (b) 5 [hereof] or (c) of this subdivision is guilty of a misdemeanor and is 6 punishable by imprisonment for a period not to exceed one year, or by a 7 fine not to exceed one thousand dollars, or by both such fine and imprisonment.
- 9 (b) The knowing presence as a spectator having paid an admission fee 10 or having made a wager at any place where an exhibition of animal fight-11 ing is being conducted; or
- 12 (c) Knowingly causing a minor to attend an exhibition of animal fight13 ing. The term "minor" means a person under the age of sixteen years
- 14 <u>old</u>.
- 15 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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