

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 58th Legislature (2022)

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR ENGROSSED
SENATE BILL NO. 1522

By: Bullard of the Senate

and

Humphrey of the House

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

An Act relating to crimes and punishments; amending
21 O.S. 2021, Sections 1692.1, 1692.2, 1692.3, 1692.4
and 1692.8, which relate to penalties for
cockfighting; modifying scope of certain definition;
reducing penalties for certain unlawful acts;
updating statutory citations; and providing an
effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2021, Section 1692.1, is
amended to read as follows:

Section 1692.1 As used in this act:

~~A. 1. "Cockfight" or "cockfighting" is a fight between birds,~~
~~whether or not fitted with artificial spurs, knives, or gaffs, and~~
~~whether or not bets or wagers are made on the outcome of the fight,~~
~~and includes any training fight in which birds are intended or~~
~~encouraged to attack or fight with one another.~~

1 ~~B.~~ 2. "Equipment used for training or handling a fighting bird"
2 includes knives or gaffs, cages, pens, feeding apparatuses, training
3 pens and other related devices and equipment, and is hereby declared
4 contraband and subject to seizure.

5 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2021, Section 1692.2, is
6 amended to read as follows:

7 Section 1692.2 Every person who willfully instigates or
8 encourages any cockfight, upon conviction, shall be guilty of a
9 ~~felony~~ misdemeanor. The penalty for a violation of this section
10 shall be as provided in Section ~~§~~ 1692.8 of this ~~act~~ title.

11 SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2021, Section 1692.3, is
12 amended to read as follows:

13 Section 1692.3 Every person who keeps or provides any pit,
14 building, or other place, or knowingly provides ~~any equipment or~~
15 facilities to be used in permitting any cockfight, upon conviction,
16 shall be guilty of a ~~felony~~ misdemeanor. The penalty for a
17 violation of this section shall be as provided in Section ~~§~~ 1692.8
18 of this ~~act~~ title.

19 SECTION 4. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2021, Section 1692.4, is
20 amended to read as follows:

21 Section 1692.4 Every person who does any act or performs any
22 service in the furtherance of or to facilitate any cockfight, upon
23 conviction, shall be guilty of a ~~felony~~ misdemeanor. Such
24 activities and services specifically prohibited by this section

1 include, but are not limited to ~~+~~, promoting or refereeing of birds
2 at a cockfight, ~~advertising a cockfight,~~ or serving as a stakes
3 holder of any money wagered on any cockfight. The penalty for a
4 violation of this section shall be as provided in Section ~~8~~ 1692.8
5 of this ~~act~~ title.

6 SECTION 5. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2021, Section 1692.8, is
7 amended to read as follows:

8 Section 1692.8 A. Every person who is guilty of a felony under
9 any of the provisions of ~~Sections 2, 3, 4, or 5~~ Section 1692.5 of
10 this ~~act~~ title shall be punished by imprisonment in the ~~state~~
11 penitentiary custody of the Department of Corrections for not less
12 than one (1) year nor more than ten (10) years, or shall be fined
13 not less than Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) nor more than Twenty-
14 five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00), or by both such fine and
15 imprisonment.

16 B. Every person who, upon conviction, is guilty of any of the
17 provisions of ~~Section 6~~ Sections 1692.2, 1692.3 or 1692.4 of this
18 ~~act~~ title shall be punished by ~~imprisonment in the county jail for~~
19 ~~not more than one (1) year, or shall be fined a fine not more than~~
20 exceeding Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), or by both such fine and
21 imprisonment. For a second conviction, the person shall be punished
22 by a fine not exceeding One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00). For a
23 third or subsequent conviction, the person shall be punished by a
24 fine not exceeding Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00).

SECTION 6. This act shall become effective November 1, 2022.

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