

1                   **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2                               STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3                               2nd Session of the 58th Legislature (2022)

4 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
5 FOR ENGROSSED  
6 SENATE BILL NO. 1522

By: Bullard of the Senate

and

Humphrey of the House

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10                               COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

11           An Act relating to crimes and punishments; amending  
12           21 O.S. 2021, Sections 1692.1, 1692.2, 1692.3, 1692.4  
13           and 1692.8, which relate to penalties for  
14           cockfighting; modifying scope of certain definition;  
15           reducing penalties for certain unlawful acts;  
16           updating statutory citations; and providing an  
17           effective date.

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

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

21           Section 1692.1 As used in this act:

22           ~~A. 1.~~ "Cockfight" or "cockfighting" is a fight between birds,  
23           ~~whether or not~~ fitted with artificial spurs, knives, or gaffs, and  
24           whether or not bets or wagers are made on the outcome of the fight,

1 ~~and includes any training fight in which birds are intended or~~  
2 ~~encouraged to attack or fight with one another.~~

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

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

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

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

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

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

23 Section 1692.4 Every person who does any act or performs any  
24 service in the furtherance of or to facilitate any cockfight, upon

1 conviction, shall be guilty of a ~~felony~~ misdemeanor. Such  
2 activities and services specifically prohibited by this section  
3 include, but are not limited to ~~+~~, promoting or refereeing of birds  
4 at a cockfight, ~~advertising a cockfight,~~ or serving as a stakes  
5 holder of any money wagered on any cockfight. The penalty for a  
6 violation of this section shall be as provided in Section ~~8~~ 1692.8  
7 of this ~~act~~ title.

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

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

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

1 third or subsequent conviction, the person shall be punished by a  
2 fine not exceeding Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00).

3 SECTION 6. This act shall become effective November 1, 2022.  
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5 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND CORRECTIONS,  
6 dated 04/04/2022 - DO PASS, As Amended.  
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