

An Ordinance prohibiting prize fighting and regulating boxing competitions in the City of Portland.

The City of Portland does ordain as follows:

Section 1. A prize fight, for the purpose of this ordinance, shall be defined as a boxing competition or contest of any nature for which any participant is given or paid or promised, directly or indirectly, any money, merchandise or thing of value whatsoever, and it shall be unlawful for any person to arrange, offer to arrange, engage in or offer to engage in any such prize fight, either as principal, second, assistant, stakeholder, trainer, referee, aider, abettor, solicitor or agent, whether such fight shall take place or not. It shall be unlawful for any person to give, pay or promise to give or pay to another, any money, merchandise or thing of value, either directly or indirectly, for participating in any boxing competition or contest of any nature, and it shall be unlawful for any person to engage or participate in any boxing competition or contest of any nature for money, merchandise or any thing of value, either directly or indirectly. Provided, however, that this ordinance shall not prohibit boxing competitions for which the participants are not paid or promised any money, merchandise or thing of value. Nor shall it prohibit the giving of engraved medals, ribbons or similar tokens to the winner of any such competition or contest; providing that in no case shall any medal,

ribbon or similar token of more than twenty-five dollars in value be given.

Section 2. Any person desiring to hold any such boxing contest or competition shall first obtain from the Chief of Police a permit therefor, and such contest or competition shall be held under the following regulations: (1) The actual time of boxing at any such competition or contest shall be limited to twelve minutes, and no round shall exceed three minutes in length, followed by an intermission of at least one minute. (2) The ring, posts and ropes shall be padded in such manner as to prevent injury to any boxer. (3) Boxers shall use boxing gloves not less than eight ounces in weight. (4) Boxers shall not bandage or tape the knuckles or hands. (5) In case a boxer is knocked down, such knock-down shall end the round. And if any contest becomes one-sided so that there appears to be liability of either boxer sustaining injury, the contest shall be stopped. (6) No person under sixteen years of age shall be allowed to compete in any such contest.

Section 3. In case any of the above regulations is violated, it shall be the duty of the police immediately to stop any such contest or competition.

Section 4. Any person violating any provision of this ordinance shall, upon conviction thereof in the Municipal Court, be punished by a fine not to exceed \$500.00 or by imprisonment in the City Jail not to ex-

ceed six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Passed by the Council, May 8, 1915.

H. R. ALBEE

Mayor of The City of Portland.

ATTEST:

A. I. BARBOR

Auditor of The City of Portland.