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Combat Sports Amendment (Referee's Duty to Stop Contest) Bill 2017

Explanatory note

This explanatory note relates to this Bill as introduced into Parliament.

Overview of Bill

The object of this Bill is to amend the *Combat Sports Act 2013* to require a referee to stop a combat sport contest if directed to do so by the trainer of a combatant because the combatant is exhausted or injured to such an extent as to be unable to defend himself or herself or to continue the contest. The maximum penalty for not stopping the contest is 500 penalty units or 12 months imprisonment, or both.

Outline of provisions

Clause 1 sets out the name (also called the short title) of the proposed Act.

Clause 2 provides for the commencement of the proposed Act on the date of assent to the proposed Act.

Clause 3 amends the *Combat Sports Act 2013* as described in the Overview above.



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A Bill for

An Act to amend the *Combat Sports Act 2013* to require the referee of a combat sport contest to stop the contest if directed to do so by a trainer of a combatant.

The Legislature of New South Wales enacts:

1 Name of Act

This Act is the *Combat Sports Amendment (Referee's Duty to Stop Contest) Act 2017*.

2 Commencement

This Act commences on the date of assent to this Act.

3 Amendment of Combat Sports Act 2013 No 96

Section 66 Referee's duty to stop contest

Insert after section 66 (1) (b):

- (b1) if the trainer of a combatant directs the referee to stop the contest because the combatant is exhausted or injured to such an extent as to be unable to defend himself or herself or to continue the contest, or