

1-1 By: Goldman (Senate Sponsor - Paxton) H.B. No. 3742  
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 5, 2023;  
1-3 May 8, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on State  
1-4 Affairs; May 19, 2023, reported favorably by the following vote:  
1-5 Yeas 9, Nays 0; May 19, 2023, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-7		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	Hughes	X			
1-9	Paxton	X			
1-10	Bettencourt	X			
1-11	Birdwell			X	
1-12	LaMantia	X			
1-13	Menéndez	X			
1-14	Middleton	X			
1-15	Parker	X			
1-16	Perry	X			
1-17	Schwertner	X			
1-18	Zaffirini			X	

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to the regulation of combative sports by the Texas  
1-22 Department of Licensing and Regulation and to immunity for ringside  
1-23 physicians assigned to combative sports events.

1-24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-25 SECTION 1. Section 2052.254, Occupations Code, is amended  
1-26 to read as follows:

1-27 Sec. 2052.254. ELIMINATION TOURNAMENTS. Except as  
1-28 authorized by commission rule, an [An] elimination tournament may  
1-29 not be conducted in this state.

1-30 SECTION 2. Subchapter F, Chapter 2052, Occupations Code, is  
1-31 amended by adding Section 2052.255 to read as follows:

1-32 Sec. 2052.255. IMMUNITY FOR RINGSIDE PHYSICIANS. A  
1-33 ringside physician is immune from civil liability arising from acts  
1-34 within the scope of the physician's responsibilities if the  
1-35 physician acted in good faith and without malice.

1-36 SECTION 3. Section 2052.255, Occupations Code, as added by  
1-37 this Act, applies only to an action commenced on or after the  
1-38 effective date of this Act.

1-39 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
1-40 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
1-41 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
1-42 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
1-43 Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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