



July 8th, 2013

RE: Youth Pankration and Mixed Martial  
Ages 16 years and under

To All California Stakeholders:

The California State Athletic Commission is currently studying youth pankration. Until the Commission makes a decision on this subject, all activities involving youth pankration and youth mixed martial arts are to immediately cease and desist.

Pursuant to Business and Professions Code Section 18640, the State Athletic Commission has the sole direction, management and control of, and jurisdiction over all professional and amateur boxing, kickboxing, full contact martial arts contests and exhibitions which are conducted, held or given within this state. No such event shall take place without prior approval of the Commission. No person shall engage in the promotion of, or participate in a boxing or martial arts contest, match or exhibition without a license.

Please note that unlicensed boxing, full contact martial arts, and kickboxing is unlawful and the promoters, participants and spectators are subject to criminal sanction, as are landlords and the like who permit their property to be used for an illegal fight (Penal Code 412).

Please contact the Commission's headquarter office at (916) 263-2195 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Executive Officer

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