

BIENNIAL REPORT OF EXAMINING AND LICENSING BOARDS

(M.S. 1985 Supplement, Section 214.07)

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BOARD: BOXING

LOCATION: 500 METRO SQUARE BUILDING - ST. PAUL

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: MINN. STAT. CHAPTER 341.01 to 341.15

REPORT PERIOD: July 1, 1986 To: June 30, 1988

SUBMITTED BY:	<u>JAMES J. O'HARA</u>	<u>EXECUTIVE SECRETARY</u>	<u>SEPT. 1986</u>
	Name	Title	Date

Copies of this report shall be delivered to: (A) the Legislature in accordance with Section 3.195 (1 copy to the Secretary of the Senate, 1 copy to the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives and 10 copies to the Legislative Reference Library); (B) the Governor; and (C) Commissioner of Administration. Each health-related board shall also deliver a copy of their report to the Board of Health.

Clause a: GENERAL STATEMENT OF BOARD ACTIVITIES

This description should cover both FY 87 and FY 88 and include any changes (additions/deletions) in activities between those years.

The Board of Boxing provides uniformity in the regulation of boxing through the preparation, amendment and adoption of rules and regulations governing the conduct of boxing.

The Board, consisting of 7 members appointed by the Governor, enforces the regulations governing boxing and assists at all professional bouts with weigh-ins and dressing room surveillance. It licenses all promoters, managers, referees, seconds and professional boxers to provide for the safety of the participants in the ring and to assure the fans of properly staged shows. This sport, in Minnesota as elsewhere, subscribes to the World Boxing Association regulations, and, on a professional level, requires cooperation on a national scale through the various state commissions. The Board members are commissioners.

In addition, the Executive Secretary and members of the Board encourage the organization of amateur boxing programs throughout the state. There are 800 to 1000 amateur boxers active in the state of Minnesota which the legislators years ago decided not to license. They considered amateur boxing as a civic and community function, similar to high school athletics such as football, baseball, basketball, etc.

No exams are given, but clinics are held at licensed locations by licensed coaches throughout the state.

The Board now governs Full Contact Karate, as of July 1, 1983. A dangerous sport, because the opponents are allowed to knock each other unconscious by "Kicking" also besides hitting. The rules and regulations are presently in the hands of the Attorney General's office for the final draft and rule procedures.

Kick Karate under close supervision of the Boxing Board has almost become extinct due to the safety precautions the Board makes them follow. They have gone the way of toughman tournaments, gang boxing etc. because the State Of Minnesota is known nationally as a state that is fully supervised and regulated.

Safety is number one in the State of Minnesota at all ages. Amateur Boxing Professional Boxing and Kick Boxing.

BOXING BOARD

Clause B: TOTAL NUMBER MEETINGS HELD FY 87 4 88 4 FY 87 and 88 8

APPROXIMATE TOTAL NUMBER OF HOURS SPENT BY BOARD MEMBERS IN MEETINGS AND ON OTHER BOARD ACTIVITIES.

BOARD MEMBER'S NAME	MEETING	HOURS			OTHER ACTIVITIES	HOURS		
	TYPE	FY 87	FY 88	FY 87 & 88	TYPE	FY 87	FY 88	FY87&88
STAN KOWALSKI	BOXING BOARD	4½	6	10½	Commissioner in charge at ringside	300	300	600
DAVE BLOOMBERG	" "	6	4½	10½	Checks fighters back-ground, approves pro matches	400	400	800
PETE FILIPPI	" "	6	6	12	Active in amateur boxing in Northern Region	400	400	800
DANNY DAVIS	" "	6	6	12	Appoints referees & professional deputies	400	400	800
JEROME COUGHLIN	" "	6	6	12	Chairman of the Board 87 and 88	400	400	800
ROBERT MACK	" "	4½	6	10½	Safety Commissioner Health & welfare of boxers	600	600	1200
SCOTT LeDOUX	" "	6	3	9	Commissioner in charge at ringside	300	300	600

BOXING BOARD

Clause c: THE RECEIPT AND DISBURSEMENT OF BOARD FUNDS

	FY 87	FY 88	FY's 87 & 88
Total State Appropriations	53,673.00	55,253.00	108,926.00
Total Non-Dedicated Fee Receipts	3,113.00	2,548.00	5,661.00
Total Disbursements	48,746.82	52,332.68	101,079.50

COMMENTS (Optional)

BOXING BOARD

CLAUSE d: LIST OF BOARD MEMBERS WHO SERVED DURING FY 87 AND FY 88

For Easy Reference Please Give:

- (A) Number of Board Members required by statute: 7
- (B) The statutory length of term: 4 Years

NAME & ADDRESS	OCCUPATION	GIVE BEGIN AND END DATE OF APPOINTMENT AND EACH REAPPOINTMENT
Stan Kowalski 7450 Tempo Terrace Fridley MN. 55432	Ex Wrestler, Business agent for cooks & waiters	6/6/83 to 1/5/87 reappointed 1/19/87 to Jan. 1991
Dave Bloomberg 1759 Montreal St. Paul, MN. 55116	Retired	1/4/82 to 1/6/86 reappointed 1/6/86 to 1/6/90
Pete Filippi Box 154 Keewatin MN. 55753	Retired	6/6/83 to 1/5/87 reappointed 1/19/87 to Jan. 1991
Jerome Coughlin 8824 Cottonwood Lane Maplegrove MN. 55369	Insurance Agent	1/3/84 to 1/4/88 reappointed Jan. 1988 to Jan. 1992
Daniel W. Davis 3921 Portland Ave. So. Mpls. MN. 55407	Hennepin county school coordinator	1/3/84 to 1/4/88 reappointed Jan. 1988 to Jan. 1992
Robert Mack 5600 Twin Lake Terrace Crystal MN. 55429	Self employed business	1/3/85 to 1/4/89
Scott LeDoux 2222 139th. Ave. N.W. Anoka MN. 55303	Trucking solicitor	1/3/85 to 1/4/89

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Clause e: LIST BOARD EMPLOYEES WHO WERE EMPLOYED

DURING FY 87 AND/OR FY 88

NAME	JOB CLASSIFICATION/TITLE & CLASS	Class Code	FT	STATUS		Dates of Servi.
				PT		
JAMES J. O'HARA	EXECUTIVE SECRETARY	OUNC		X		Aug./76 to present
GERALDINE KASPRZAK	Clerk Typist II Administrative Assistant		X			Oct. /83 to present

Clause f: BRIEF SUMMARY OF BOARD RULES PROPOSED OR ADOPTED DURING THIS REPORTING PERIOD, FY 87 AND FY 88. GIVE APPROPRIATE CITATIONS TO THE STATE REGISTER AND PUBLISHED RULES FOR THOSE ADOPTED.

The following rules are in the revisor of statutes office for drafting.

Section 1. 341.045 For the purposes of this chapter, the terms "boxing and sparring" shall include full contact karate and kick boxing.

Section 341.115 Any contest, match or exhibition in which cash prizes of \$5 or more or other prizes worth \$100 or more are offered to any boxer shall comply with all rules of the board of boxing governing professional boxing. For purposes of this section, trophies, travel expenses and subsistence expenses shall not be considered prizes. No boxer participating in these contests, matches, or exhibitions shall engage in more than 15 rounds of boxing in a 14-day period. If the boxer loses due to a technical knockout or is knocked unconscious, he cannot fight for a 30-day period. No boxer shall participate in these contests, matches, or exhibitions unless the boxer has submitted an affidavit of physical fitness, subscribed and sworn to under oath, to the board and has been examined by a physician designated by the board.

Affidavit must state that the boxer has regularly trained for a least 60 days under the supervision of a second licensed by the board of boxing or a second or trainer licensed in another jurisdiction or the equivalent. The examination must include an electroencephalogram if the boxer has been knocked unconscious in boxing competition. The examination must also include an eye examination designed to reveal any retinal defects or damage that could be aggravated by boxing. The examination shall be performed at the expense of the promoter. The board may order an electroencephalogram before any contest, match, or exhibition if it determines that the examination is necessary to protect the health of the boxer. The examination must be performed at the expense of the promoter.

341.05 In April of 1984, the state legislators removed all tax on professional boxing and closed circuit TV. Full Contact Karate, Amateur boxing and professional boxing are now exempt from the 5% tax as of July 1, 1984.

Rules for kick boxing are in the advisory board and will be finalized. Further information can be obtained from Lou Robards of the Attorney Generals office call 296-6673.

BOXING BOARD

Clause g:

LIST THE NUMBER OF PERSONS HAVING EACH TYPE OF LICENSE
AND REGISTRATION ISSUED BY THE BOARD AS OF JUNE 30, 1988
(IN THE YEAR OF THE REPORT)

<u>TYPE OF LICENSE/REGISTRATION</u>	<u>TOTAL NUMBER IN EFFECT</u>
PROFESSIONAL BOXER LICENSES	41
PROFESSIONAL REFEREE LICENSES	11
PROFESSIONAL SECONDS LICENSES	24
MANAGERS LICENSES (optional)	5
AMATEUR SECONDS LICENSES	36
AMATEUR REFEREE LICENSES	18
PROFESSIONAL FRANCHISE	8
AMATEUR FRANCHISE	22

Amateur boxers are not licensed according to legislators years ago that considered amateur boxing similiar to high school athletics.

Clause h ADMINISTRATION OF EXAMINATIONS BY BOARD

EXAMINATION:

LOCATION	TYPES OF LICENSE/REGISTRATION	DATES
	No exams are given, but clinics are	
	held at licensed locations by	
	licensed coaches throughout the state.	

*Exp. License - make it
I don't apply.*

Let the board know this board do

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CONTINUATION SHEET:

Clauses i, j, k: NON-MINNESOTA RESIDENTS BY TYPE OF LICENSE/REGISTRATION

List the number of Non-Minnesota Residents only who were (1) examined and either (2) Licensed/Registered or (3) Not licensed/registered after being examined for the type of license/registration noted. Use a separate page for each type of license or registration.

TYPE OF LICENSE/REGISTRATION

NONE

	FY 87									FY 88									FY 87 AND FY 88										
	EXAMINED			LIC/REGIS			NOT LIC/REGIS			EXAMINED			LIC/REGIS			NOT LIC/REGIS			EXAMINED			LIC/REGIS			NOT LIC/REGIS				
	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F
State	PLEASE LIST THE TOTAL NUMBER OF NON-RESIDENTS BY STATE																												

BOXING BOARD

Clause 1: THE NUMBER OF PERSONS NOT TAKING EXAMINATIONS WHO WERE LICENSED OR REGISTERED BY THE BOARD OR WHO WERE DENIED LICENSING OR REGISTRATION WITH THE REASONS FOR THE LICENSING OR REGISTRATION OR DENIAL THEREOF.

TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS <u>NOT</u> TAKING EXAMS AND GRANTED LICENSES OR REGISTRATION	FY 87 <u>102</u>	FY 88 <u>28</u>	FY 87 & 88 <u>130</u>
TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS <u>NOT</u> TAKING EXAMS AND DENIED LICENSES OR REGISTRATION	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

FOR EACH PERSON GIVE:

Type of lic/Regis.	State of Res.	AGE GROUP						SEX		Method of Lic./Regis.	Grant Deny		**Reasons for Granting or Denial
		0-18	18-25	26-34	35-59	60-65	66-	M	F		Grant	Deny	
PROFESSIONAL BOXERS			19	22				X		Application	X		Met Qualifications *
PROFESSIONAL REFEREE'				2	8	1		X		on payment.	X		Met Qualifications *
PROFESSIONAL SECONDS				6	12	6		X		Attended	X		Met Qualifications *
AMATEUR BOXERS		0	0	0	0	0		X		boxing	X		Met Qualifications **
AMATEUR REFEREE			2	14	2			X		Golden Gloves	X		Met Qualifications *
AMATEUR SECONDS			6	20	8	2		X		Clinics	X		Met Qualifications *
PROFESSIONAL MANAGERS (optional)								X		App. on payment	X		Met Qualifications *

** The amateur boxers are not licensed. They are registered with the Golden Gloves program and must pass physicals before each bout.

The medical records and bout results of each boxer are kept by the Board of Boxing on file. Both professional and amateur.

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Professional Boxers	ages 18 - 25	Total 19
	ages 26 - 34	Total 22

		Total 41
Michigan	1	
Ohio	3	
Missouri	2	
Tenn.	1	
Minnesota	18	
Okla.	1	
Wis.	11	
Iowa	2	
New Jersey	1	
Ill.	<u>1</u>	
	41	

The professional boxers must sign an affidavit stating how many bouts they have had, that they have been active, and physically fit to receive a license on the night of the boxing show. They are examined and weighed in before the show and pay the fee of \$5.00 either to renew their previous license or receive a new one.

Professional boxers from out of state may not fight in Minnesota till they have been checked out with their home state commission, and a computer system out of New Jersey by the executive secretary. (The Board has given him the power to decide if they are qualified to fight.)

There are 5 professional Managers between the ages of 35 - 59
4 are from Minnesota and 1 from Ohio.

There are 11 professional Referees between the ages of 26 - 59
They are all from Minnesota.

There are 24 professional Seconds. between the ages of 26 - 65

Okla	2	Iowa	1
Wis	1	Minn	13
VA	1	Tenn	1
Ill	2	Ohio	3

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AMATEUR REFEREE'S Total 18

There are 16 amateur referees from Minnesota between the ages of 18 and 59.
There are 2 amateur referees from No. Dakota. between the ages of 26 and 59,

AMATEUR SECONDS (Coaches) Total 36

All the amateur seconds are from Minnesota.

Ages 18 - 25	6
Ages 26 - 34	20
Ages 35 - 59	8
Ages 60 - 65	2

36

There are no exams given for these licenses, but clinics are held at licensed locations by licensed coaches throughout the state. The Board works very closely with the Golden Gloves program. All medical reports and bout results for each amateur boxer is sent into the office of the executive secretary of the Boxing Board where they are recorded and kept on **record**.

Clause m: PERSONS PREVIOUSLY LICENSED OR REGISTERED BY THE BOARD WHOSE LICENSES OR REGISTRATIONS WERE REVOKED, SUSPENDED OR OTHERWISE ALTERED IN STATUS, WITH BRIEF STATEMENTS OF THE REASONS FOR THE REVOCATION, SUSPENSION OR ALTERATION.

TOTAL number of revocations

TOTAL number of suspensions

TOTAL number of other status changes

FY 87	FY 88	FY's 87 & 88
0	0	0
0	0	0
0	0	0

TYPE OF LICENSE OR REGISTRATION (By case)	TYPE OF STATUS CHANGE			REASONS FOR EACH CHANGE IN STATUS FOR EACH CASE
	Revoked	Suspended	Other (Specify)	

Clause n: LIST THE NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED BY THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, EACH BOARD MEMBER, EMPLOYEE OR OTHER PERSON PERFORMING SERVICES FOR THE BOARD

IN FY 87 0 Written
No.

0 Oral
No.

IN FY 88 0 Written
No.

0 Oral
No.

THAT ALLEGE OR IMPLY A VIOLATION OF A STATUTE OR RULE WHICH THE BOARD IS EMPOWERED TO ENFORCE. THESE TOTALS INCLUDE CASES REFERRED TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S STAFF WHO ARE ASSIGNED TO ASSIST YOUR BOARD.

IN FY 87 0 Written
No.

0 Oral
No.

IN FY 88 1 Written
No.

0 Oral
No.

WHICH ARE FORWARDED TO OTHER AGENCIES AS REQUIRED BY M.S. 214.10.

Received one letter (not legible) that was forwarded to the Attorney General's Office.

Please indicate the number of complaints referred to each other governmental agency (Federal, State, and Local) in each fiscal year:

Clause o: SUMMARIZE, BY SPECIFIC CATEGORY, THE SUBSTANCE OF THE COMPLAINTS AND COMMUNICATIONS REFERRED TO IN CLAUSE (n) OF M.S. 214.07 AND AND, FOR EACH SPECIFIC CATEGORY, THE RESPONSES OR DISPOSITIONS THEREOF PURSUANT TO M.S. 214.10 and 214.11 (INDICATE AUTHORITY/ CITATIONS FOR DISPOSITION).

(Dispositions occurring during this period of complaints and communications received prior to July 1, 1986, and complaints and communications received but not disposed of as of June 30, 1989 should be included).

SUMMARY OF COMPLAINTS AND COMMUNICATIONS BY SPECIFIC CATEGORY (Give number in each specific category)	SUMMARY OF RESPONSES AND DISPOSITIONS FOR EACH SPECIFIC CATEGORY (Give number in each specific category)
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one letter now being handled by the Attorney General's office.

Clause p: STATE ANY OTHER OBJECTIVE INFORMATION WHICH THE BOARD MEMBERS BELIEVE WILL BE USEFUL IN REVIEWING BOARD ACTIVITIES:

(For Example: In what other states do your licensees hold licenses? Number of Minnesota licenses verified/certified to other states? Number of inspections? Comparisons with past Biennial Reports?)

Boxers appearing in Minnesota have appeared in nearly 40 of the 50 states. Also, Canada, Africa, and Europe.

1. Amateur Boxing has changed over the years, and much for the better.
2. All coaches and referees must be registered with the State Boxing Board.
3. It is now mandantory for all amateur boxers to wear head gear in all amateur events.
4. All amateur events are supervised by a Commissioner or a Deputy Commissioner.
5. Amateur boxing is to give each participant a chance to condition themselves and to have a healthier body and mind, and to give them a chance to compete in a sport where they are matched with competitors with the same ability, same weight class, same age bracket. Not all sports programs offer this.
6. Our purpose is not to develop professional boxers, the goal is to build sportsmanship, and to develop self confidence and discipline.
7. Most of the amateur boxers are between 12 and 20 years of age, and come from all walks of life, and all nationalities, and are all treated as equals.
8. As in any sport, comaraderie and competition and self confidence developes which can carry them over into life.
9. There has been a decline in amateur boxing in the State of Minnesota due to high insurance cost.
The Board of Boxing emphasises safety first in Minnesota. The Board feels that quality bouts are better than quantity, where as an amateur boxer could risk injury.
10. Amateur boxing is a program to help the youth of the state, and does not receive any

Federal Money
State Money
City Money
County Money
11. The Executive Secretary attends 40 to 50 boxing shows a year with no reimbursement.

Clause p: (Continuation Sheet)