

H.R. 4624, Muhammad Ali American Boxing Revival Act



BACKGROUND:

For most of the 20th century, boxing was regulated by a patchwork of state laws that led to the exploitation of boxers and corruption. Congress acted by passing the *Professional Boxing Safety Act of 1996* and the *Muhammad Ali Boxing Reform Act*, establishing baseline protections. As a result, boxing remains the only professional sport regulated by Congress.

THE PROBLEM:

Professional boxing in America is now in decline. A quarter-century has passed since Congress last updated boxing law, and the current framework is ambiguous. This uncertainty has stifled investment, weakened accountability, and allowed systemic dysfunction to persist. **As a result, boxers face:**

- **Low pay and exploitation**
- **Inconsistent safety standards**
- **Weak anti-doping enforcement**
- **Mismatched fights & weak oversight**



THE SOLUTION:

The *Muhammad Ali American Boxing Revival Act* (H.R. 4624), authored by Rep. Brian Jack (R-GA), modernizes boxing by strengthening fairness, safety, and opportunity.

1. **Increases Choice and Opportunity for Boxers:** Sets clear guidelines for Unified Boxing Organizations (UBOs)—new boxing organizations.
2. **Improves Protections for Boxers:** Requires a uniform minimum payment-per-round of \$200, enhances medical standards, and strengthens ringside safety.
3. **Strengthens Integrity in the Sport:** Increases transparency with a third-party anti-doping program and enforces strict anti-betting rules.

BOTTOM LINE:

The *Muhammad Ali American Boxing Revival Act* updates a decades-old regulatory framework, protects fighters, restores integrity, and provides a path to revive professional boxing in America.

