

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to commerce; prohibiting certain unfair ticket sales; proposing coding  
1.3 for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 609.

1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. **[609.807] EVENT TICKETS; PROHIBITED ACTS.**

1.6 (a) As used in this section: (1) "initial seller" means a person or entity with whom  
1.7 a provider of an event or venue has contracted for the sale of tickets for the purpose  
1.8 of the initial sale of those tickets to the general public; and (2) "ticket" means a ticket  
1.9 of admission to a sporting event, theater, musical performance, or place of public  
1.10 entertainment or amusement of any kind.

1.11 (b) The initial seller of tickets shall make available for sale all tickets under control  
1.12 of the initial seller in the manner and under terms directed by the provider of the event  
1.13 or venue. The initial seller shall not, unless authorized by the provider of the event or  
1.14 venue, divert tickets from the initial sale to the general public to be sold in any other  
1.15 manner or under any other terms.

1.16 (c) No person or entity, with intent to defraud, may sell or offer for sale a ticket that  
1.17 is invalid, counterfeit, altered, or otherwise not genuine.

1.18 (d) A violation of this section is a misdemeanor.

1.19 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2009, and applies to  
1.20 offenses committed on or after that date.