609.825 BRIBERY OF PARTICIPANT OR OFFICIAL IN CONTEST.

Subdivision 1. **Definition.** As used in this section, "official" means one who umpires, referees, judges, officiates or is otherwise designated to render decisions concerning the conduct or outcome of any contest included herein.

Subd. 2. **Acts prohibited.** Whoever does any of the following may be sentenced to imprisonment for not more than five years or to payment of a fine of not more than $10,000, or both:

(1) offers, gives, or agrees to give, directly or indirectly, any benefit, reward or consideration to a participant, manager, director, or other official, or to one who intends to become such participant or official, in any sporting event, race or other contest of any kind whatsoever with intent thereby to influence such participant not to use the participant's best effort to win or enable the participant's team to win or to attain a maximum score or margin of victory, or to influence such official in decisions with respect to such contest; or

(2) requests, receives, or agrees to receive, directly or indirectly, any benefit, reward or consideration upon the understanding that the actor will be so influenced as such participant or official.

Subd. 3. **Duty to report.** Whoever is offered or promised such benefit, reward or consideration upon the understanding to be so influenced as such participant or official and fails promptly to report the same to the offeree's or promisee's employer, manager, coach, or director, or to a county attorney may be punished by imprisonment for not more than 364 days or to payment of a fine of not more than $3,000, or both.

History: *1963 c 753 art 1 s 609.825; 1984 c 628 art 3 s 11; 1986 c 444; 2023 c 52 art 6 s 16*