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AN ACT

RELATING TO CRIMINAL LAW; INCLUDING SALES TO ALL EVENTS AND SALES BY ELECTRONIC MEANS IN THE CRIMINAL OFFENSE OF TICKET SCALPING; LIMITING THE LOCATION OF THE SALE OF TICKETS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. Section 30-46-1 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1989, Chapter 142, Section 1) is amended to read:

"30-46-1. TICKET SCALPING.--

Ticket scalping consists of a person:

(1) selling, offering for sale or attempting to sell, whether in person or by electronic means, any ticket, privilege, license, admission or pass to any [college athletic] event at a price greater than the price charged at the place of admission or printed on the ticket; or

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(2) other than the authorized ticket seller
selling, offering for sale or attempting to sell any ticket,
privilege, license, admission or pass to an event at a price
equal to or less than the price charged at the place of
admission or printed on the ticket within five hundred yards of
the box office location for a college or professional athletic
event or one hundred yards for all other events.

- B. The sale of each ticket, privilege, license, admission or pass in violation of this section shall constitute a separate offense.
- C. Nothing in this section shall prohibit charging a fee for services rendered in connection with the sale of a ticket, privilege, license, admission or pass to an event if the fee is permitted pursuant to a contract between the ticket seller and the sponsor or promoter of the event.
- D. Whoever commits ticket scalping as provided in Paragraph (1) of Subsection A of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be punished by a fine [up] not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500) or by imprisonment for a definite term of less than one year or both.
- E. Whoever commits ticket scalping as provided in Paragraph (2) of Subsection A of this section is guilty of a petty misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be punished by a fine not to exceed two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) or by imprisonment for a definite term of less than six months or

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Section 2. EMERGENCY.--It is necessary for the public peace, health and safety that this act take effect immediately.

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