Assembly Bill No. 2464

CHAPTER 261

An act to add Section 243.85 to the Penal Code, relating to personal safety.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

AB 2464, Gatto. Professional sports facilities: safety.

Existing law makes it unlawful for any person attending a professional sporting event to throw any object on or across the court or field of play with the intent to interfere with play or distract a player, or enter upon the court or field of play without permission from an authorized person at any time after the authorized participants of play have entered the court or field to begin the sporting event and until the participants of play have completed the playing time of the sporting event.

This bill would require the owner of any professional sports facility to post written notices displaying the text message number and telephone number to contact arena security in order to report a violent act, as provided.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 243.85 is added to the Penal Code, to read:

243.85. The owner of any professional sports facility shall post, visible from a majority of the seating in the stands at all times, at controlled entry areas, and at parking facilities that are part of the professional sports facility, written notices displaying the text message number and telephone number to contact security in order to report a violent act.