

Assembly Bill No. 1832

CHAPTER 158

An act to amend Section 22505.5 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to business.

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AB 1832, Ian Calderon. Ticket sellers: equitable ticket buying process: sale or use of circumventing software.

Existing law provides that a person who intentionally uses or sells software to circumvent a security control or measure on a ticket seller's Internet Web site that is used to ensure an equitable ticket buying process is guilty of a misdemeanor. Existing law also provides that a violation of the laws regulating ticket sellers is a misdemeanor.

This bill would instead make it unlawful for a person to intentionally use or sell software to circumvent a security control or measure that is used to ensure an equitable ticket buying process, thereby removing the limitation that the software be used to circumvent a security control or measure on the ticket seller's Internet Web site.

By expanding the scope of an existing crime, this bill would impose a state-mandate local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

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

SECTION 1. Section 22505.5 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

22505.5. Notwithstanding Section 22503.5, 22503.6, 22504, or 22511, it shall be unlawful for a person to intentionally use or sell software to circumvent a security measure, access control system, or other control or measure that is used to ensure an equitable ticket buying process.

SEC. 2. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution because the only costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school district will be incurred because this act creates a new crime or infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of

Section 17556 of the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution.