

**Enrolled
Senate Bill 641**

Sponsored by Senator DECKERT

CHAPTER

AN ACT

Relating to dogfighting paraphernalia; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 167.360.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. ORS 167.360 is amended to read:

167.360. As used in ORS 167.360 to 167.379:

(1) **“Breaking stick” means a device designed for insertion behind the molars of a dog for the purpose of breaking the dog’s grip on another animal or object.**

(2) **“Cat mill” means a device that rotates around a central support with one arm designed to secure a dog and one arm designed to secure a cat, rabbit or other small animal beyond the grasp of the dog.**

[(1)] (3) **“Dogfight” means a fight, arranged by any person, between two or more dogs the purpose or probable result of which fight is the infliction of injury by one dog upon another.**

(4) **“Dogfighting paraphernalia” means a breaking stick, cat mill, springpole, weighted or unweighted chain collar weighing 10 pounds or more, leather or mesh collar with a strap more than two inches in width, fighting pit or unprescribed veterinary medicine that is a prescription drug as defined in ORS 689.005.**

[(2)] (5) **“Fighting dog” means a dog that is intentionally bred or trained to be used in, or that is actually used in, a dogfight. A dog does not constitute a fighting dog solely on account of its breed.**

(6) **“Fighting pit” means a walled area designed to contain a dogfight.**

(7) **“Springpole” means a biting surface attached to a stretchable device, suspended at a height sufficient to prevent a dog from reaching the biting surface while touching the ground.**

SECTION 2. Section 3 of this 2005 Act is added to and made a part of ORS 167.360 to 167.379.

SECTION 3. (1) **A person commits the crime of possessing dogfighting paraphernalia if the person owns or possesses dogfighting paraphernalia with the intent that the paraphernalia be used to train a dog as a fighting dog or be used in the furtherance of a dogfight.**

(2) **Possessing dogfighting paraphernalia is a Class A misdemeanor.**

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