HB 2194: ticket resales; restrictions
Sponsor: Representative Cook, LD 7
Senate Engrossed

Overview
Establishes laws outlining restrictions and prohibitions relating to ticket resales.

History
Pursuant to A.R.S. § 13-3718, it is unlawful for a person to sell an entertainment event ticket, which was purchased with the intent to resell, for a price that exceeds the face value, including taxes and other charges, while being within 200 feet of entry to the venue where the event is being held or the venue's parking area. Additionally, it is unlawful to alter a ticket's printed price without the original vendor's written consent. Persons found in violation are subject to a petty offense.

Provisions
1. Prohibits a reseller, a secondary ticket exchange, or their affiliates from:
   a) reselling more than one copy of the same ticket to an athletic contest or live entertainment event;
   b) employing a person to wait in line to purchase tickets for the purpose of reselling the tickets if such practice is prohibited;
   c) reselling a ticket without first informing the purchaser of the seating location or the general admission area to which the ticket corresponds; or
   d) reselling a ticket or advertising a ticket for resale, unless:
      i. the ticket is in the possession or constructive possession of the reseller; or
      ii. the reseller has a written contract with the rights holder to obtain the ticket. (Sec 1)

2. Prohibits specified persons from reselling a ticket prior to being made available to the public, through the ticket's initial sale, including through a presale, by the rights holder unless the rights holder previously authorizes the resale. (Sec. 1)

Senate Amendments
1. Removes the prohibition for a ticket reseller or a secondary ticket exchange to employ a person to wait in line to purchase tickets for resale.

2. Removes language relating to prohibiting specified persons from reselling a ticket prior to being made available to the public.

3. Makes a clarifying change.