FANS NOT SCALPERS

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Noah fans don't pay scalpers.

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FACT SHEET

1. On Nov. 12, 2026, the cheapest resale ticket we found for a Fenway show was $792 (SeatGeek, June 22, pair of seats, fees included). Listings went as high as $6,928 a ticket (Vivid Seats, June 21).
2. The Senate passed a 110% resale cap. The House has not. It is in a conference committee on H.5576/S.3228. Two of the three House members on the committee (Reps. Michlewitz, Fiola and Soter) have to sign any final version.
3. The legislative session ends January 5, 2027. If the committee hasn't finished by then, the whole bill dies.
4. Noah Kahan backed the cap by video at Governor Healey's July 16 announcement of the Great Divide Act, and he was one of 42 New England artists who signed a July letter asking lawmakers to pass it. He has not endorsed this campaign. Full list of supporters.
5. As of 4 p.m. on presale day (Nov. 10), CBS Boston reported no tickets left for any of the six Fenway shows.
6. Vivid Seats listed tickets for all 19 U.S. dates, at $402 to $607 a ticket, before the presale began, Grimy Goods reported Nov. 9.
7. Fenway tickets are sold only through MLB. The Red Sox say they can't be transferred.
8. The Senate's version caps resale at 110% of the first-sale price. It leaves out sports and does not cap resale site fees.
9. Other places have passed resale caps. Vermont, Noah Kahan's home state, has capped resale at 110% since July 1, 2026. D.C. passed a 10% cap that starts Jan. 1, 2027; four resale sites have sued to block it. Maine passed a 10% cap in 2025; its attorney general has said it applies only to resale site fees. Details and sources.
10. The pledge is open to anyone who goes to concerts, not just Noah fans: "I will not buy concert tickets above face value, from anyone. Starting with Noah Kahan's 2027 shows."
11. Opponents, including 16 current and former law enforcement officials, say a cap would push sales to social media and messaging apps, where scams are harder to trace. Our answer is on /history.

KEY DATES

July 1, 2026: Vermont's 110% resale cap takes effect.

July 16, 2026: Governor Healey proposes a 110% cap on concert ticket resale, the Great Divide Act, with a video message from Noah Kahan.

July 23, 2026: 42 New England artists, including Noah Kahan, publish a letter asking lawmakers to pass the cap.

July 24, 2026: The Senate passes its economic development bill with the cap (Amendment 20), without the 10% fee cap.

July 30, 2026: The House rejects the Senate's changes, and a six-member conference committee is appointed on H.5576/S.3228.

Nov. 10, 2026: The artist presale opens. Fenway goes from four 2027 shows to six (June 21 and 22 added). By 4 p.m., no Fenway tickets are left.

Nov. 12, 2026: The general sale opens at noon. The cheapest Fenway resale ticket we found that day: $792.

Jan. 5, 2027: The session ends. No deal means the bill dies.

QUOTES YOU CAN USE

"Should only rich people get to see Noah? He's playing Fenway six times. If only fans got tickets, we'd all get in."
Annie Tran, a Massachusetts mom and founder of Fans Not Scalpers

"It's a net negative, but getting legislation passed to help residents see concerts at a reasonable price is worth the domain registration and time spent."
Annie Tran

Annie pays for the campaign out of her own pocket.

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