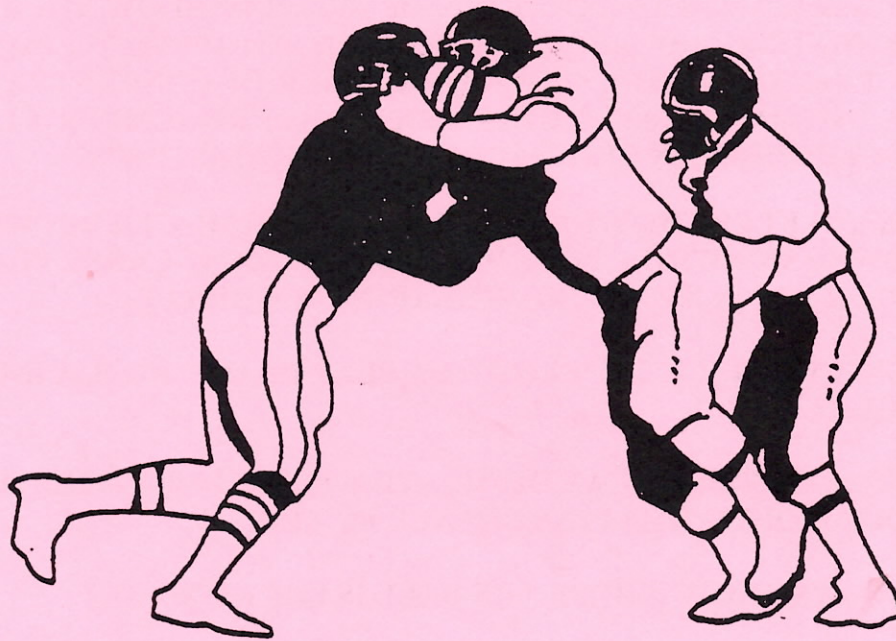


## A PERSISTENT PROBLEM

THE PROBLEM OF HOLDING REMAINS SIGNIFICANT THROUGHOUT COLLEGE FOOTBALL. AVAILABLE STATISTICS CONFIRM THAT OFFICIALS ARE DEVOTING GREATER INTENSITY TO REDUCING DELIBERATE AND ILLEGAL ACTS AT THE POINT OF ATTACK. A STANDARD THAT ENCOMPASSES REALISTIC OFFICIATING WITHIN THE INTENT OF THE RULES MUST BE APPLIED.

**PLEASE REVIEW THE FOLLOWING EXTRACT:**

... A CCA SUPERVISOR DESCRIBED THE DILEMMA AS FOLLOWS ... "THE RULES ON HOLDING ARE A PARTICULAR HEADACHE FOR OFFICIALS SO MUCH SO THAT IT IS ROUTINELY IGNORED OR NOT CALLED. FOR IT TO BE CALLED, IT SHOULD BE A STRONG GRAB AT THE POINT OF ATTACK THAT HAS DIRECT BEARING ON THE PLAY. NO OTHER JUDGEMENT CALL LEADS TO SO MANY DISPUTES."



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THE LIBERALIZATION OF THE USE OF HANDS AND ARMS BY THE OFFENSE HAS ENCOURAGED THE BENDING OF RULES TO COMPENSATE FOR PHYSICAL DIFFERENCES IN OPPONENTS. AS OFFICIALS, WE MUST BE AWARE OF THE INDIVIDUAL MATCHUP THAT OCCURS ON EACH PLAY AND EVALUATE THE EFFECT OF LIBERALIZED USE OF HANDS AND ARMS ON EACH PLAY.