

# House Bill 3252

Sponsored by Representative GORSEK

## SUMMARY

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Prohibits greyhound racing.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

1  
2 Relating to greyhound racing; creating new provisions; amending ORS 462.010, 462.020, 462.030,  
3 462.040, 462.057, 462.067, 462.070, 462.075, 462.110, 462.125, 462.140, 462.155, 462.510 and 462.710;  
4 and repealing ORS 462.135.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** ORS 462.010 is amended to read:

7 462.010. As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires:

8 (1) "Breaks" means the odd cents remaining after the payoff prices have been computed in ac-  
9 cordance with ORS 462.140 (3).

10 (2) "Calendar year" means a 12-month year, January 1 through December 31.

11 (3) "Commission" means the Oregon Racing Commission.

12 (4) "Continuous race meet" includes any exhibition of animal racing continuously at the same  
13 race course by two or more licensees where the mutuel system is used in conjunction with any race.

14 (5) "Drug" means any narcotic, sedative, anesthetic, analgesic, drug or other medication of any  
15 kind or description intended for use in any manner, directly or indirectly, internally or externally,  
16 in the diagnosis, treatment, mitigation or cure of injury or disease or for use in the prevention of  
17 disease that could affect, in any manner, the racing condition or performance of an animal as a  
18 depressant, stimulant, local anesthetic, analgesic, sedative or otherwise. "Drug" includes:

19 (a) Substances, other than foods, intended to affect the structure or any function of the body of  
20 the animal and all substances affecting the central nervous system, respiratory system or blood  
21 pressure of any animal other than vitamins or supplemental feeds; and

22 (b) Any identified substance that can affect or interfere with the true and accurate testing and  
23 analysis of blood, saliva, urine or other samples taken from racing animals.

24 (6) "Fiscal year" means a 12-month year, as described in ORS 293.605.

25 (7) "Gross mutuel wagering" means all mutuel wagering that is made in person:

26 (a) At the race course of a race meet licensee;

27 (b) At an off-race course mutuel wagering location approved by the commission; or

28 (c) Through account wagering authorized under ORS 462.142.

29 (8) "Licensee" means a person, partnership, corporation, political subdivision, municipal corpo-  
30 ration or any other body holding a license under this chapter.

31 (9) "Mutuel" means a system whereby:

32 (a) Wagers with respect to the outcome of a race are placed with a wagering pool in which the

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New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 participants are not wagering against the operator; and

2 (b) The operator distributes to one or more winning participants the total amount in the  
3 wagering pool, less amounts deducted by the operator as approved by the commission.

4 (10) "Public training track" means any race course or other facility that is available or open to  
5 the public for use in the training or schooling of racing animals.

6 (11) "Race" means any race conducted in a race meet. "Race" includes races conducted without  
7 wagering, provided one or more races in the meet are conducted with wagering.

8 (12) "Race course" means all the premises used in connection with the conduct of a race meet,  
9 including but not limited to, the race track, grandstands, paddock, stables[, kennels] and all other  
10 buildings and grounds adjacent to or appurtenant to the physical limits of the race track.

11 (13) "Race meet" means any exhibition of animal racing where the mutuel system is used in  
12 conjunction with any race.

13 **SECTION 2.** ORS 462.020 is amended to read:

14 462.020. (1) A person may not hold a race meet without having first obtained and having in full  
15 force and effect a license therefor issued by the Oregon Racing Commission.

16 (2) A trainer, driver, jockey, apprentice jockey, horse owner, [*dog owner,*] exercise person, agent,  
17 authorized agent, jockey's agent, stable foreman, groom, valet, veterinarian, horseshoer, steward,  
18 stable guard, starter, timer, judge or other person acting as a participant or official at any race  
19 meet, including all employees of the pari-mutuel department, may not participate in race meets  
20 without having first obtained and having in full force and effect a license issued by the commission,  
21 pursuant to such rules as the commission shall make. The commission by rule may require other  
22 employees of a race meet licensee who are engaged in or performing duties at the race course to  
23 obtain a license issued by the commission prior to engaging or performing such duties. The com-  
24 mission by rule may also require persons, including corporations, who are not employees of a race  
25 meet licensee, but who are authorized to do business at the race course, to obtain a license issued  
26 by the commission prior to conducting such business.

27 (3) [*A person may not operate a public training track or public kennel for greyhounds participating*  
28 *in a race meet without having first obtained and having in full force and effect a license issued by the*  
29 *commission.*] **A person may not conduct a greyhound race meet in this state. A person may**  
30 **operate a public training track or public kennel for breeding or training greyhounds to race**  
31 **outside of this state if the person possesses a valid license for the track or kennel issued by**  
32 **the commission.**

33 (4) The commission may require each applicant for a license to be photographed and shall re-  
34 quire each applicant to be fingerprinted as part of the licensing procedure for the purpose of re-  
35 questing a state or nationwide criminal records check under ORS 181A.195.

36 (5) Each person holding a license under this chapter shall comply with all rules and orders of  
37 the commission.

38 (6) Notwithstanding the requirements of subsection (2) of this section, the commission, upon re-  
39 ceipt of a written application for a license on forms provided by the commission, may in its sound  
40 discretion issue a temporary license valid for a period not to exceed 10 days pending final approval  
41 or disapproval of the written application for a license.

42 **SECTION 3.** ORS 462.030 is amended to read:

43 462.030. No person is eligible to operate a race meet with a license issued under this chapter  
44 unless the person is the owner or controls the possession of a properly constructed race track  
45 suitable for the [*class of*] races [*which*] **that** are proposed to be conducted at such race track and

1 improved with safe and suitable grandstands, equipped with reasonably sanitary accommodations,  
 2 adequate stables for livestock together with adequate fire protection equipment, and such other  
 3 proper improvements as in the judgment of the Oregon Racing Commission may be required, taking  
 4 into consideration the location of such race track and the probable capacity requirements to ac-  
 5 commodate the crowd and the number of people that will reasonably be expected to occupy the  
 6 grandstands and attend the race meets.

7 **SECTION 4.** ORS 462.040 is amended to read:

8 462.040. [(1) Race meet licenses granted by the Oregon Racing Commission shall be limited to:]

9 [(a) Licenses for horse and mule race meets (Class A).]

10 [(b) Licenses for greyhound race meets (Class B).]

11 **(1) Race meet licenses granted by the Oregon Racing Commission shall be limited to li-**  
 12 **censes for horse and mule race meets.**

13 [(2)(a) Except as the commission otherwise may provide by rule, no licensee shall be granted li-  
 14 censes of both classes nor shall licenses be issued for more than one class of racing on the same race  
 15 course, track or location.]

16 [(b) In adopting rules to carry out the provisions of this subsection, the commission shall consider,  
 17 among other matters, the impact on existing race meet licensees in the county in which application for  
 18 a license referred to in paragraph (a) of this subsection is made.]

19 [(3) The commission shall not grant any license for greyhound racing at the Oregon State Fair.]

20 [(4)] **(2)** The license shall specify the number of days the race meet shall continue and the  
 21 number of races per day.

22 **SECTION 5.** ORS 462.057 is amended to read:

23 462.057. (1) A race meet licensee designated in subsection (2) of this section shall make **the**  
 24 **following** payments [*as follows*]:

25 (a) **A** license fee [-] **of** \$25 per fiscal year payable to the Oregon Racing Commission.

26 [(b) A percentage of gross mutuel wagering shall be paid to the commission as follows:]

27 [(A) If the race meet is for horses or mules - one percent.]

28 [(B) If the race meet is for greyhounds - 1.6 percent.]

29 **(b) One percent of gross mutuel wagering, payable to the commission.**

30 (c) If the race meet [*is for horses or mules and the*] average daily gross mutuel wagering during  
 31 the preceding fiscal year exceeded \$150,000, a percentage of the gross mutuel wagering shall be  
 32 [*paid*] **distributed** as follows:

33 (A) To purses, [*- such amount,*] subject to prior approval by the commission, [*as*] **the amount**  
 34 **that** the race meet licensee and the horse owners, or mule owners if the race is for mules, may  
 35 agree upon, plus an additional 0.1 percent. The additional 0.1 percent shall not become part of the  
 36 regular purse account but shall be used only to supplement purses of races consisting exclusively  
 37 of Oregon bred horses or mules;

38 (B) To the Oregon Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders Association, Incorporated, **as** purse  
 39 supplements for owners of Oregon bred thoroughbred horses, [-] one percent of gross mutuel  
 40 wagering on thoroughbred horse races, to be apportioned among the owners in the same ratio that  
 41 each owner's purses for Oregon bred thoroughbred horses for the race meet bears to the total purses  
 42 for Oregon bred thoroughbred horses for the race meet;

43 (C) To the Oregon Quarter Horse Racing Association, Incorporated, **as** purse supplements for  
 44 owners of Oregon bred quarter horses, [-] one percent of gross mutuel wagering on quarter horse  
 45 races, to be apportioned among the owners in the same ratio that each owner's purses for Oregon

1 bred quarter horses for the race meet bears to the total purses for Oregon bred quarter horses for  
2 the race meet;

3 (D) To each association of horse or mule owners, trainers or breeders recognized by the com-  
4 mission as representing the other breeds of horses or mules not designated in subparagraphs (B) and  
5 (C) of this paragraph, purse supplements for owners of other Oregon bred horses or mules, not des-  
6 ignated in subparagraphs (B) and (C) of this paragraph, one percent of gross mutuel wagering for  
7 races of other horses or mules, to be apportioned among the owners in the same ratio that each  
8 owner's purses for other Oregon bred horses or mules for the race meet bears to the total purses  
9 for other Oregon bred horses or mules for the race meet;

10 (E) Subject to prior approval of the commission, each horse or mule owners, trainers or breeders  
11 association designated in subparagraphs (B), (C) and (D) of this paragraph may use a portion of the  
12 purse supplements as operating expenses only for receipt, handling and payment of these funds; and

13 (F) To a special track fund, **0.2 percent** to be used primarily for improving the race track fa-  
14 cilities benefiting the horse and mule owners, trainers or breeders in the barn area [- 0.2 percent].  
15 All such funds shall be retained by the licensee in a separate account from all other funds and no  
16 disbursements or transfers shall be made therefrom without prior approval of the commission. All  
17 physical improvements paid from such funds shall satisfy reasonable fire, health, quality and con-  
18 struction standards established or approved by the commission. Unless the commission provides  
19 otherwise, such improvements shall be made on the race course where the race meet [*which*] **that**  
20 created the fund was held.

21 [*(d) If the race meet is for greyhounds, a percentage of the gross mutuel wagering shall be paid*  
22 *as follows:*]

23 [*(A) To a special fund to be used primarily for the development and operation of a training track*  
24 *and related facilities upon which to train greyhounds - 0.1 percent. All such funds shall be retained*  
25 *by the licensee in a separate account from all other funds and no disbursements or transfers shall be*  
26 *made therefrom without prior approval of the commission. All physical improvements paid from such*  
27 *funds shall satisfy reasonable fire, health, quality and construction standards established or approved*  
28 *by the commission. Unless the commission provides otherwise, such improvements shall be made on the*  
29 *race course of the race meet licensee; and]*

30 [*(B) To the Oregon Greyhound Breeders Association, Incorporated, purse supplements for owners*  
31 *of Oregon bred greyhounds - 0.5 percent of gross mutuel wagering, to be apportioned among the own-*  
32 *ers, in accordance with the rules of the commission and subject to approval by the commission, in the*  
33 *same ratio that each owner's purses for Oregon bred greyhounds for the race meet bears to the total*  
34 *purses for Oregon bred greyhounds for the race meet.]*

35 (2) Licensees subject to the provisions of this section are:

36 (a) The Pendleton Roundup.

37 (b) The Eastern Oregon Livestock Fair.

38 (c) The Pacific International Livestock Exposition.

39 (d) Any county fair.

40 (e) All other nonprofit, fair-type associations [*which*] **that** conducted a licensed race meet in  
41 calendar year 1968 or 1969.

42 (f) The Pine Valley Fair Association.

43 **SECTION 6.** ORS 462.067 is amended to read:

44 462.067. All licensees of race meets **for mules** except those subject to ORS 462.057 [*and*  
45 *462.062*] shall make payments **to the Oregon Racing Commission** as follows:

1 (1) A license fee [-] of \$100 per racing day[, payable to the Oregon Racing Commission].

2 (2) [Percentage] **One and six-tenths percent** of gross mutuel wagering [payable to the commis-  
3 sion - 1.6 percent].

4 [(3) Percentage of gross mutuel wagering on greyhound races payable to the Oregon Greyhound  
5 Breeders Association, Incorporated - 0.5 percent for purse supplements for owners of Oregon bred  
6 greyhounds, to be apportioned among the owners, in accordance with the rules of the commission and  
7 subject to approval by the commission, in the same ratio that each owner's purses for Oregon bred  
8 greyhounds for the race meet bears to the total purses for Oregon bred greyhounds for the race meet.  
9 Subject to the prior written approval of the commission, the Oregon Greyhound Breeders Association,  
10 Incorporated, may use a portion of the funds received pursuant to this section and ORS 462.057  
11 (1)(d)(B) to offset expenses for receipt, accounting, handling and payment of those funds.]

12 [(4) To a special fund to be used primarily for the development and operation of a training track  
13 and related facilities upon which to train greyhounds - 0.1 percent. All such funds shall be retained  
14 by the licensee in a separate account from all other funds and no disbursements or transfers shall be  
15 made therefrom without prior approval of the commission. All physical improvements paid from such  
16 funds shall satisfy reasonable fire, health, quality and construction standards established or approved  
17 by the commission. Unless the commission provides otherwise, such improvements shall be made on the  
18 race course of the race meet licensee.]

19 **SECTION 7.** ORS 462.070 is amended to read:

20 462.070. (1) The Oregon Racing Commission may adopt rules establishing license fees for persons  
21 described in ORS 462.020 (2), not to exceed \$30 per year. Prior to adopting a rule that establishes  
22 a fee for a license, the commission shall review the fees charged for similar licenses in other states.  
23 The commission also may charge a reasonable fee for claiming certificates in an amount not to ex-  
24 ceed \$10.

25 (2) The license fee per fiscal year for operators of public training tracks or kennels required to  
26 be licensed under ORS 462.020 (3) [shall be] is:

27 (a) For the Oregon State Fair or a county or district fair, \$10.

28 (b) For all other operators of public training tracks or kennels, \$25.

29 (3) The commission may by rule provide for a license that is issued to a person described in ORS  
30 462.020 (2) to be valid for one, two or three years from date of issuance. The commission may fix  
31 the expiration date of the license and may prorate the fee established for the license.

32 **SECTION 8.** ORS 462.075 is amended to read:

33 462.075. (1) The Oregon Racing Commission may refuse to issue to or renew the license of any  
34 applicant if it has reasonable ground to believe that the applicant:

35 (a) Has been suspended or ruled off a recognized course in another jurisdiction by the racing  
36 board or commission thereof.

37 (b) Is not of good repute and moral character.

38 (c) Does not have, when previously licensed, a good record of compliance with the racing or  
39 gaming laws of this state or of any other state and with the rules of the commission or of any other  
40 racing or gaming commission.

41 (d) If the applicant is a corporation, firm or association, is not duly authorized to conduct  
42 business within the State of Oregon.

43 (e) If an individual, has been convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude or of any gambling  
44 or gambling-related offense, or, if a corporation, firm or association, is in whole or in part controlled  
45 or operated directly or indirectly by a person who has been convicted of a crime involving moral

1 turpitude or of any gambling or gambling-related offense.

2 (f) If an individual, is engaged in wagering by other than the mutuel method or in pool selling  
 3 or bookmaking in any state of the United States or foreign country or, if a corporation, firm or as-  
 4 sociation, is in whole or in part controlled or operated directly or indirectly by a person who is  
 5 engaged in wagering by other than the mutuel method or in pool selling or bookmaking in any state  
 6 of the United States or foreign country.

7 (g) Has been found guilty by the commission of a violation of this chapter or any rules of the  
 8 commission.

9 (h) Should not, in the best interest of the safety, welfare, health, peace and morals of the people  
 10 of the state, be granted a license.

11 (2) The commission may refuse to issue or renew a license to conduct a race meet for any  
 12 ground set forth in subsection (1) of this section or if it has reasonable ground to believe any of the  
 13 following to be true:

14 (a) That the applicant is not possessed of or has not demonstrated financial responsibility suffi-  
 15 cient to meet adequately the requirements of the enterprise proposed to be licensed.

16 (b) That the applicant is not the true owner of the enterprise proposed to be licensed, that other  
 17 persons have ownership in the enterprise *[which]* **that** has not been disclosed or, if the applicant is  
 18 a corporation, that any of the stock of such corporation is subject to a contract or option to pur-  
 19 chase at any time during the period for which the license is issued.

20 (c) That the granting of a license in the locality set out in the application is not demanded by  
 21 public interest or convenience.

22 (d) That the applicant, if a corporation, transferred any of its stock after an application for a  
 23 license to hold a race meet was filed with the commission without prior commission approval. The  
 24 provisions of this paragraph shall not apply to day-to-day transfers of stock of a publicly held cor-  
 25 poration whose shares are publicly quoted and regularly traded in the marketplace unless the  
 26 transfer, or a combination of transfers, involves a controlling interest in or affects the operational  
 27 control of the corporation, or involves 10 percent or more of any class of stock of the corporation.

28 (e) That the applicant lacks, or if the applicant is a corporation, its officers, managerial em-  
 29 ployees, directors and principal stockholders lack, the requisite character, reputation, general busi-  
 30 ness and managerial competence and ability, and experience in the business of racing so as to justify  
 31 or command public confidence.

32 (f) That the granting of the application would adversely and unreasonably affect the economy  
 33 of the State of Oregon and its people and the revenues of this state and of other beneficiaries of  
 34 racing funds designated in this chapter.

35 (3) The commission may refuse to issue or renew a license to any person who has made a false  
 36 statement of a material fact to the commission.

37 (4) The commission may refuse to issue or renew a license to any applicant for a race meet li-  
 38 cense if the applicant has failed to meet any monetary obligation in connection with any race meet  
 39 held in this state.

40 *[(5) The commission may deny a license to any applicant for a race meet license under ORS 462.067*  
 41 *unless the applicant for the license and the greyhound kennel owners, or their representative associ-*  
 42 *ation, have previously agreed upon a purse schedule.]*

43 *[(6)]* (5) Before refusing to license any applicant for a race meet license, the commission shall  
 44 afford the applicant an opportunity for hearing after reasonable notice as provided in ORS chapter  
 45 183. When the commission refuses to license an applicant on the basis of grounds provided in sub-

1 section (1)(b), (c) or (h) of this section, the commission shall specify the particular activities that  
 2 constitute the grounds for refusal and shall give the applicant written notice thereof.

3 **SECTION 9.** ORS 462.110 is amended to read:

4 462.110. (1) For the protection of the public, and all members thereof, the exhibitors and visitors,  
 5 every race meet licensee shall carry public liability insurance written on an approved form by a  
 6 company licensed to do business in Oregon and in an amount approved by the Oregon Racing  
 7 Commission.

8 (2) Every person licensed to conduct a race meet shall provide and deliver to the commission  
 9 a bond signed by a surety company authorized to do business in Oregon in such form as is required  
 10 by the commission and in an amount determined by the commission. The bond shall be conditioned  
 11 that the licensee will pay:

12 (a) To the state all moneys due it under this chapter, including moneys *[which]* **that** escheat  
 13 pursuant to ORS 462.073 and any fines imposed by any court or by any state agency;

14 (b) To horsemen *[or greyhound owners]*, all moneys owing and all moneys required to be paid  
 15 for breakage, purses and Oregon-bred purse supplements;

16 (c) To persons presenting valid winning tickets, the amounts owing to them; and

17 (d) To the special track fund *[or training track fund]*, all moneys required to be paid to *[those*  
 18 *funds]* **that fund** by statute or rule.

19 (3) In lieu of a surety bond the commission may accept a certificate of deposit, an irrevocable  
 20 letter of credit, or equivalent *[which will assure]* **that will ensure** that the obligations described  
 21 *[above]* **in subsection (2) of this section** are paid, up to the designated amount. **The Attorney**  
 22 **General or the district attorney of the county in which the race meet is held shall prosecute**  
 23 **all actions on race meet licensee bonds on behalf of the state.**

24 *[(3) The Attorney General or the district attorney of the county wherein the race meet is held shall*  
 25 *prosecute all actions on such bonds on behalf of the state.]*

26 (4) Any person having a claim against the licensee for any obligation covered by the bond or  
 27 bond substitute, except cause of action covered by public liability insurance, may prosecute the same  
 28 in an action in behalf of the claimant brought in the name of the state for the use and benefit and  
 29 at the expense of such claimant. The court may award reasonable attorney fees to the prevailing  
 30 party in an action under this subsection. If the amount of the bond or bond substitute is insufficient  
 31 to cover all obligations, amounts owing to and for the benefit of the state pursuant to ORS 462.073  
 32 (3) shall have priority over any other claims. No action may be brought for recovery on the bond  
 33 or bond substitute unless written notice of the claim is made to the commission and to the race meet  
 34 licensee within 120 days after the last day of the race meet or continuous race meet in which the  
 35 obligation arose. The notice must be by registered mail, certified mail with return receipt or per-  
 36 sonal service to the licensee or to the licensee's registered agent. Any action for recovery on the  
 37 bond or bond substitute must be brought no earlier than 60 days and no later than 180 days after  
 38 service of the written notice on the race meet licensee or on the licensee's registered agent. These  
 39 limitations shall not apply to claims for valid winning tickets if the claimant has made a timely  
 40 claim pursuant to ORS 462.073 (2).

41 (5) Every person licensed to conduct a race meet for horses shall carry insurance to protect  
 42 jockeys and, if appropriate, drivers. The type, form and amount of insurance, and the carrier, must  
 43 be approved by the commission.

44 **SECTION 10.** ORS 462.125 is amended to read:

45 462.125. (1) The Oregon Racing Commission shall determine the number *[and classes]* of race

1 meets to be held in any fiscal year, and the total number of racing dates to be granted to a licensee  
2 subject to provisions of ORS 462.062 and 462.067. Not more than 350 days of racing, exclusive of  
3 racing days authorized to designated licensees pursuant to subsection (5) of this section, shall be  
4 held in any metropolitan area in any fiscal year. A licensee shall conduct at least 720 live races  
5 under the license during each fiscal year race meets are held under the license. The commission  
6 may reduce the number of races required under this section upon application by a horsemen's as-  
7 sociation that negotiates with the race meet licensee.

8 (2) If a licensee under ORS 462.062 or 462.067 fails, for good cause, to complete all of the allo-  
9 cated days in a licensed race meet or if the commission does not receive and approve license ap-  
10 plications for all of the days allocated to [*either class of*] racing, the commission may add the unused  
11 or unallocated days no later than June 30 of the following fiscal year, to the racing days allocated  
12 to and available to the licensee or, in the discretion of the commission, to any other **race meet**  
13 licensee [*of either class of racing*] in the metropolitan area. Additional race days allocated under this  
14 subsection are exempt from the limit of 350 days of racing in a fiscal year imposed by subsection (1)  
15 of this section. The additional racing days granted by the commission to any eligible licensee may  
16 not exceed the total of the unused or unallocated racing days in any one fiscal year.

17 (3) If an emergency occurs on the day of racing, and a night racing program runs past the hour  
18 of midnight, such time after midnight is not considered an additional racing day.

19 (4) As used in subsections (1) and (2) of this section, "metropolitan area" means:

20 (a) Multnomah, Clackamas and Washington Counties.

21 (b) Marion and Polk Counties.

22 (c) Linn and Benton Counties.

23 (d) A county other than those designated in paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) of this subsection.

24 (5) Each licensee designated in ORS 462.057 may be granted up to 12 days of horse[,] **or** mule  
25 [*or greyhound*] racing to be held within the county in which the licensee holds its fair or show or  
26 at a race course owned by a governmental agency or a nonprofit corporation in an adjoining county.  
27 If a licensee does not use all of the licensee's allocated race days during the fiscal year, the com-  
28 mission, in the commission's discretion, may allow that licensee to use the leftover days in the next  
29 fiscal year. If a licensee referred to in this subsection wishes to make application to the commission  
30 to schedule racing days that conflict with racing days previously scheduled by another such  
31 licensee, at least 30 days prior to the date of a meeting of the commission, the governing bodies of  
32 the applicant and the previous licensee shall meet at a time and place prescribed by the previous  
33 licensee to discuss the applicant's proposed racing day schedule. The conclusion of the parties re-  
34 garding the proposals for conflicting racing days and the matters upon which the parties agree or  
35 disagree shall be reduced to writing signed by the parties and submitted to the commission not later  
36 than 14 days prior to a meeting of the commission. The commission may approve or disapprove  
37 proposals for conflicting racing days upon such terms and conditions as the commission considers  
38 appropriate.

39 (6) The commission may not grant a license for any race meet within a county for dates that  
40 conflict with racing dates granted to the county fair of such county.

41 (7) The commission may not grant a licensee that is subject to ORS 462.062 a license for a race  
42 meet for a date that conflicts with a race meet date granted to a licensee that is subject to ORS  
43 462.057, unless the commission has the consent of the licensee that is subject to ORS 462.057. This  
44 subsection applies only if the licensee that is subject to ORS 462.057 held a race meet during the  
45 2002 calendar year on a date substantially similar to the date that is the subject of the conflict. A



licensee that is subject to ORS 462.057 may not unreasonably withhold consent under this subsection.

**SECTION 11.** ORS 462.140 is amended to read:

462.140. (1) A person may not conduct or commit, attempt or conspire to conduct or commit pool selling, bookmaking, or circulate handbooks, or bet or wager on any licensed race meet, other than by the mutuel method. All moneys wagered in Oregon must be accounted for through a computerized mutuel wagering system in use by an operating race meet in this state and approved by the Oregon Racing Commission. Wagering into pools outside of Oregon via telephone or other device is prohibited unless the wagering information is transmitted by a licensee that conducts off-race course mutuel wagering pursuant to ORS 462.700 to 462.740.

(2) A race meet licensee may not take more than 22 percent of the gross receipts of any mutuel wagering system subject to approval by the commission.

(3) A race meet licensee shall compute breaks in the mutuel system at 10 cents for each dollar wagered in a specific mutuel pool except, when the breaks in the mutuel system compute to less than 10 cents total for each dollar wagered, the race meet licensee shall compute the breaks on that specific mutuel pool at five cents. When the breaks in the mutuel system compute at 10 cents or more for each dollar wagered, the race meet licensee shall pay in increments of 10 cents for each dollar wagered. When the breaks in the mutuel system compute to less than 10 cents for each dollar wagered, the race meet licensee shall pay five cents for each dollar wagered. *[For horses, 45 percent of the breaks shall be retained by the licensee. For greyhounds, 33-1/3 percent shall be retained by the licensee. The other 55 percent for horses and 66-2/3 percent for greyhounds shall be paid as follows:]*

**The licensee shall retain 45 percent of the moneys. The licensee shall pay the remaining 55 percent as follows:**

(a) For thoroughbred horse races, to the Oregon Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders Association, Incorporated, to be used by that association subject to prior approval of the commission, in such amounts and for such of the following purposes as the association deems desirable:

(A) For breeders awards;

(B) For stallion awards;

(C) For education of the members of the association and other horsemen regarding the breeding and racing of thoroughbred horses; or

(D) For the promotion and development of thoroughbred horse breeding and racing in Oregon.

(b) For quarter horse races, to the Oregon Quarter Horse Racing Association, Incorporated, to be used by that association subject to prior approval of the commission, in such amounts and for such of the following purposes as the association deems desirable:

(A) For breeders awards;

(B) For stallion awards;

(C) For education of the members of the association and other horsemen regarding the breeding and racing of quarter horses; or

(D) For the promotion and development of quarter horse breeding and racing in Oregon.

(c) For races for any other horses not designated in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this subsection, to each association of horsemen recognized by the commission as representing the other breeds of horses, to be used by that association subject to prior approval of the commission, in such amounts and for such of the following purposes as each recognized association deems desirable:

(A) For breeders awards;

(B) For stallion awards;

1 (C) For education of the members of the association and other horsemen regarding the breeding  
2 and racing of horses; or

3 (D) For the promotion and development of horse breeding and racing in Oregon.

4 *[(d) By a licensee of a race meet for greyhounds:]*

5 *[(A) One-half thereof to augment purses subject to reasonable regulations prescribed by the com-  
6 mission.]*

7 *[(B) The other one-half thereof for benefit and improvement of the breeding, ownership, training  
8 and racing of greyhounds in Oregon, subject to reasonable regulations prescribed by the commission.  
9 Included, but not by way of limitation, would be payment of purses for maiden graduation or special  
10 schooling races without wagering, and construction and operation of one or more appropriate public  
11 training facilities within the state. All such funds shall be retained by the licensee in an account sep-  
12 arate from all other funds, and no disbursements or transfers shall be made therefrom without prior  
13 approval of the commission.]*

14 **SECTION 12.** ORS 462.155 is amended to read:

15 462.155. (1) The Oregon Racing Commission may allow a race meet operator *[that holds a Class  
16 A license]* to conduct mutuel wagering at the licensee's race course on horse races previously held  
17 if:

18 (a) The races were actual events held at race courses during race meets;

19 (b) The races were subject to mutuel wagering at the time the races were originally held; and

20 (c) The race meets at which the races were originally held were approved by the commission  
21 or by an equivalent regulatory body in another state.

22 (2) Subsection (1) of this section allows mutuel wagering on a horse race displayed as a video  
23 or audio recording, or another form of recording approved by the commission, but does not authorize  
24 wagering on any animation, computer simulation or other artificial representation of horse racing.

25 (3) Subsection (1) of this section does not apply to a race meet operator described in ORS  
26 462.057 (2). Subsection (1) of this section does not authorize off-race course wagering or multi-  
27 jurisdictional simulcasting for horse races previously held.

28 **SECTION 13.** ORS 462.510 is amended to read:

29 462.510. (1) Any person who attempts to, or does persuade, procure or cause another person to  
30 wager on an animal participating in a race, and upon which money is wagered, and who asks or  
31 demands, or accepts compensation as a reward for information or purported information given in  
32 such case is a tout, and is guilty of touting.

33 (2) Predictions on the outcome of horse races *[and greyhound races]* may be sold on the  
34 licensee's premises in accordance with rules promulgated by the Oregon Racing Commission.

35 **SECTION 14.** ORS 462.710 is amended to read:

36 462.710. (1) Any race meet licensee may make written application to the Oregon Racing Com-  
37 mission to conduct off-race course mutuel wagering:

38 (a) On races held at the licensee's race course; or

39 (b) On races held at race courses outside this state.

40 (2) The application shall be in such form, shall contain such information and shall be submitted  
41 at such time and in such manner as the commission may require. Information required by the com-  
42 mission may include, but is not limited to, a description of the facilities, equipment and method of  
43 operation whereby the applicant proposes to conduct off-race course mutuel wagering activities.

44 (3) The commission shall authorize off-race course mutuel wagering upon such terms and con-  
45 ditions regarding the time, location and manner of operation as the commission considers appropri-

1 ate. The commission may not authorize more than 20 locations for off-race course mutuel wagering  
 2 to be in operation at any one time and shall permit off-race course mutuel wagering only at an au-  
 3 thorized location. The commission may not authorize the conduct of off-race course mutuel wagering  
 4 at any time or place or in any manner that the commission determines would have substantial ad-  
 5 verse impact upon mutuel wagering on races held at a race course in this state. The commission  
 6 may not authorize a race meet licensee to conduct off-race course mutuel wagering within the  
 7 boundaries of any city or county that has adopted an ordinance prohibiting the conduct of that ac-  
 8 tivity within the city or county. The commission may not authorize a race meet licensee to conduct  
 9 off-race course mutuel wagering in any county with a population of less than 250,000 at a location  
 10 that is within 40 miles of any other location where another race meet licensee is conducting a live  
 11 race meet without written consent of the live race meet licensee.

12 (4) In addition to other grounds provided in this chapter, the commission may refuse to issue  
 13 or renew or may revoke or suspend the license of any race meet licensee, or any employee thereof,  
 14 for failure to comply with ORS 462.700 to 462.740 or commission rules.

15 (5) If a race meet licensee proposes to conduct off-race course mutuel wagering at a physical  
 16 facility separate from the race course:

17 (a) Individuals working at the separate facility must obtain a license for such employment from  
 18 the commission if the individuals are performing duties for which a license would be required if the  
 19 duties were performed at a race course. The fee for any such license shall be the same as the fee  
 20 for the license required if the individual were working at a race course.

21 (b) ORS 462.080, 462.190 and 462.195 apply to the race meet licensee and to individuals at the  
 22 facility in the same manner as if the mutuel wagering activity were being conducted at a race  
 23 course.

24 (6) In addition to other requirements of ORS 462.700 to 462.740, the commission may authorize  
 25 a race meet licensee to conduct off-race course mutuel wagering on a particular race that is held  
 26 at a race course outside this state subject to the following conditions:

27 (a) The commission may authorize only one race meet licensee, that is the holder of a license  
 28 under ORS 462.062 or 462.067, to conduct off-race course mutuel wagering on the race.

29 (b) The commission may authorize such off-race course mutuel wagering to be conducted at the  
 30 licensee's race course and any off-race course wagering site approved by the commission.

31 (c) The commission may authorize a race meet licensee to conduct off-race course mutuel  
 32 wagering on either horse races or, **under subsection (1)(b) of this section**, greyhound races.[, *ex-*  
 33 *cept that:*]

34 *[(A) A horse race meet licensee may conduct off-race course mutuel wagering on greyhound races*  
 35 *only if there is no active greyhound race meet licensee; and]*

36 *[(B) A greyhound race meet licensee may conduct off-race course mutuel wagering on horse races*  
 37 *only if there is no active horse race meet licensee.]*

38 *[(d) If a licensee applies for authority to conduct mutuel wagering on horse races held at race*  
 39 *courses outside this state, the commission may require that the licensee provide such evidence as the*  
 40 *commission considers appropriate regarding the ability of the licensee to comply with the Interstate*  
 41 *Horseracing Act of 1978, 15 U.S.C. 3001 to 3007, as amended.]*

42 **SECTION 15. ORS 462.135 is repealed.**

43 **SECTION 16. If a person who was licensed under ORS 462.040 (2015 Edition) to conduct**  
 44 **Class B racing of greyhounds in this state retains on the effective date of this 2017 Act any**  
 45 **moneys from unclaimed winnings or for distribution as described under ORS 462.057 (2015**

1 **Edition) or 462.067 (2015 Edition), the person shall forward the moneys to the State Treasurer**  
2 **for deposit in the State Treasury. The State Treasurer shall credit any moneys received un-**  
3 **der this section to the General Fund.**

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