

CHAPTER 281

PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS

HOUSE BILL 06-1409

BY REPRESENTATIVE(S) Jahn, Cloer, Hefley, Hoppe, Stafford, and Vigil;
also SENATOR(S) Tochtrop, and Taylor.

AN ACT**CONCERNING THE AUTHORITY TO SIMULCAST OUT-OF-STATE GREYHOUND RACES AT GREYHOUND RACE FACILITIES.**

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. 12-60-602 (5) (a) (I), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

12-60-602. Simulcast facilities and simulcast races - unlawful act - repeal. (5) (a) (I) An in-state simulcast facility that is located on the premises of a greyhound track that is currently conducting a live race meet may receive up to seven days of simulcast greyhound races from ~~an~~ out-of-state host ~~track~~ TRACKS during any week in which ~~it conducts~~ A TOTAL OF five days of live GREYHOUND racing of at least ten races each day ARE CONDUCTED IN COLORADO BY ONE OR MORE LICENSEES. Such total includes, and is not in addition to, the days on which live racing is held. Any live race day that is canceled by the division due to weather or other unusual conditions shall be credited toward the five-day minimum if at least ten races were scheduled on that day. THANKSGIVING DAY AND CHRISTMAS DAY SHALL BE CREDITED TOWARD THE FIVE-DAY MINIMUM. The commission shall apportion no more than two hundred fifty out-of-state simulcast race days equitably among greyhound tracks based upon the number of live race days. An in-state SIMULCAST facility shall not simulcast more than the number of race days apportioned to such facility by the commission.

SECTION 2. 12-60-102 (14) (a), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

12-60-102. Definitions - repeal. As used in this article, unless the context otherwise requires:

Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.

(14) (a) "In-state simulcast facility" means:

(I) A class A or class B horse track at which a licensee has held within the preceding twelve months or is licensed and scheduled to hold within the following twelve months a race meet of at least the duration required of a class A or class B track;

(II) A greyhound track at which a licensee has held within the preceding twelve months or is licensed and scheduled to hold within the following twelve months a greyhound race meet of at least sixty race days;

(III) A FACILITY OPERATED BY A LICENSEE WHO WAS LICENSED TO HOLD A RACE MEET OF GREYHOUNDS IN 2003 SO LONG AS ONE OR MORE GREYHOUND TRACKS ARE OPERATING IN COLORADO IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 12-60-602 (5) (a) (I); or

(IV) An additional facility that is operated by and is the responsibility of the licensee of a class B horse track or greyhound track, located in Colorado, and used for the handling of wagers placed on simulcast races received by such track or facility. The number of such additional facilities shall not exceed one per operating track LICENSE. AN IN-STATE SIMULCAST FACILITY AS DEFINED BY SUBPARAGRAPH (III) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (a) MAY OPERATE ONE ADDITIONAL FACILITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS ARTICLE. Such additional facilities shall not be located within fifty miles of any class B horse track or greyhound track operated by another licensee without the written consent of such other licensee. The commission shall establish by rule the means of obtaining such consent.

SECTION 3. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

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