HOUSE BILL 93-1268
BY REPRESENTATIVES Grampsas, Chlouber, and Martin; also SENATORS Wattenberg and Rizzuto.

AN ACT
CONCERNING THE REGULATION OF RACING BY THE DIVISION OF RACING EVENTS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE.

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

SECTION 1. Article 60 of title 12, Colorado Revised Statutes, 1991 Repl. Vol., as amended, is amended, WITH THE RELOCATION OF PROVISIONS, to read:

ARTICLE 60
Racing

PART 1
GENERAL PROVISIONS

12-60-101. [Formerly 12-60-100.2] Legislative declaration. The general assembly declares that the provisions of this article are enacted in the exercise of the police powers of this state for the protection of the health, peace, safety, and general welfare of the people of this state; for the purpose of promoting racing and the recreational, entertainment, and commercial benefits to be derived therefrom; to raise revenue for the general fund; to establish high standards of sport and fair play; for the promotion of the health and safety of the animals involved in racing events; and to foster honesty and fair dealing in the racing industry. To these ends, this article shall be liberally construed.

12-60-102. [Formerly 12-60-101] Definitions. As used in this article, unless the context otherwise requires:

(1) "Breakage" means the odd cents by which the amount payable on each dollar
wagered in a pari-mutuel pool exceeds a multiple of ten cents.

(1.1) "Circuit" means either the north circuit or the south circuit established within the state of Colorado for the racing of greyhounds pursuant to section 12-60-107 (2) 12-60-603 (2).

(1.2) "Class A track" means a track, located within the state of Colorado, at which a race meet of horses is conducted and which is not a class B track.

(1.3) "Class B track" means a track, located within the state of Colorado, at which a race meet of horses, consisting of fifty or more race days, is conducted; except that, in its third year of operation and in each year thereafter, such a track must be the site of a race meet of horses consisting of sixty or more race days in order to maintain its class B status.

(1.4) "Commission" means the Colorado racing commission created in part 3 of this article.

(1.5) "Cross simulcasting" means either the receipt of a simulcast race of horses by a simulcast facility which is located on the premises of a track which is licensed to race greyhounds or the receipt of a simulcast race of greyhounds by a simulcast facility which is located on the premises of a track which is licensed to race horses.

(1.6) "Director" means the director of the division of racing events.

(1.7) "Division" means the division of racing events created in part 2 of this article.

(1.8) "Executive director" means the executive director of the department of revenue organized as provided in the "Administration of Administrative Organization Act of 1968", article 1 of title 24, C.R.S.

(1.9) "Greyhound track" means a track, located within the state of Colorado, at which a race meet of greyhounds is conducted.

(1.10) "Horse track" means either a class A track or a class B track.

(1.11) "Host track" means either an in-state host track or an out-of-state host track.

(1.12) "In-state host track" means a track, located within the state of Colorado, at which a race meet of either horses or greyhounds is conducted.

(1.13) "In-state simulcast facility" means a track which is operated by a licensee or a facility which is operated pursuant to section 12-60-105 (2) (b) by a person intending to reopen such facility as a track within one year, or an additional facility which is operated by and is the responsibility of a licensee who 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 fifty race days or at least sixty race days if such twelve-month period includes any portion of the licensee's third or
subsequent year of operating the licensee's track, which is located within the state of Colorado, and which is 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. On and after July 1, 1993, through July 1, 1996, no licensee may operate any additional facility unless a horse race meet of at least fifty race days was conducted at a Colorado horse track during the immediately preceding year. Such additional facilities shall not be located

(+) within fifty miles of any track operated by another licensee which has held, within the previous twelve months, or is licensed and scheduled to hold, within the next twelve months, a race meet of no less than fifty race days or no less than sixty race days if such twelve-month period includes any portion of the track's third or subsequent year of operation, without the written consent of such other licensee. OR THE COMMISSION SHALL ESTABLISH BY RULE THE MEANS OF OBTAINING SUCH CONSENT.

(II) Within fifty miles of a facility being operated pursuant to section 12-60-105 (2) (b) by a person intending to reopen such facility as a track within one year, without the written consent of such person.

(b) The commission shall establish by rule and regulation the means of obtaining such consent. If an additional facility is jointly owned or operated as a simulcast facility by two or more licensees, such additional facility shall be deemed to be one of the additional simulcast facilities of only one of such licensees, as designated in writing to the commission.

(4.6) (15) "Interstate common pool" means a pari-mutuel pool established at one location, usually but not necessarily at a host track, within which pool are combined comparable pari-mutuel pools of one or more simulcast facilities upon a race run at the host track for purposes of establishing payoff prices in the various states. There may be simulcast facilities in more than one state simultaneously combining pari-mutuel pools into the common pool of the host track. Where permitted by the laws and rules of the states in which the host track and the simulcast facilities are located and with the concurrence of the host track, the combined pari-mutuel pool may be established on a regional or other basis between two or more simulcast facilities and need not involve a merger into the host track's pari-mutuel pool. In such instances, one of the simulcast facilities shall serve as if it were the host track for the purposes of holding the common pool and calculating payoffs. The interstate common pool shall be as specified in the written simulcast racing agreement between the host track and the person operating the simulcast facility receiving such simulcast races.

(4.7) (16) "Intrastate common pool" means a pari-mutuel pool, established for an in-state host track, which includes wagers made at the in-state host track as well as wagers made at in-state simulcast facilities on simulcast races of live races run at the in-state host track.

(4.8) (17) "Licensee" means any person holding a current, valid race meet license issued pursuant to section 12-60-106 12-60-505 AND ANY PERSON HOLDING A CURRENT, VALID LICENSE OR REGISTRATION ISSUED BY THE COMMISSION PURSUANT TO SECTION 12-60-503 AND SECTION 12-60-504. THE COMMISSION, BY RULE, SHALL DETERMINE WHICH OCCUPATIONAL CATEGORIES SHALL BE LICENSED AND WHICH
SHALL BE REGISTERED. EXCEPT IN CONNECTION WITH THE LICENSING OF RACE MEETS, THE TERM "LICENSE" INCLUDES A REGISTRATION AND "APPLICANT" INCLUDES AN APPLICANT FOR A REGISTRATION.

(5) (Deleted by amendment, L. 91, p. 1495, § 1, effective June 6, 1991.)

(5.3) (18) "Out-of-state host track" means a track, located within a state other than Colorado, which is licensed or otherwise properly authorized under the laws of such state to conduct live races of horses or greyhounds and to broadcast such races as simulcast races and which broadcasts such simulcast races to an in-state simulcast facility.

(5.5) (19) "Out-of-state simulcast facility" means a track or other facility, located within a state other than Colorado, at which pari-mutuel wagers are placed on simulcast races pursuant to proper authorization under the laws of such state.

(5.7) (20) "Pari-mutuel pool" means a wagering pool into which pari-mutuel wagers on a live race or on a simulcast race are taken.

(6) (21) "Person" means any individual, partnership, firm, corporation, or association.

(7) (22) "Race meet" means any live exhibition of racing involving horses registered within their breed or greyhounds, conducted at a track located within the state of Colorado and operated by a licensee under a license granted pursuant to section 12-60-106 12-60-505, where the pari-mutuel system of wagering is used.

(8) (23) "Simulcast facility" means either an in-state simulcast facility or an out-of-state simulcast facility.

(9) (24) "Simulcast race" means a live, audio-visual broadcast, transmitted simultaneously with the performance of a live race of horses or greyhounds by either an out-of-state host track or an in-state host track, which is received by a simulcast facility.

(10) (25) "Special event" means all or part of a day's program of live racing of greyhounds run at an out-of-state host track. The commission shall designate those greyhound race programs which shall be recognized as special events.

(11) (26) "Track" or "racetrack" means a track which is located within the state of Colorado and at which a race meet of either horses or greyhounds is conducted under a license granted pursuant to section 12-60-106 12-60-505.

12-60-103. [Formerly 12-60-102.5] Division and commission subject to termination. The provisions of section 24-34-104, C.R.S., concerning the termination schedule for regulatory bodies of the state unless extended as provided in that section, are applicable to the division of racing events CREATED BY SECTION 12-60-201 and the Colorado racing commission created by section 12-60-102 12-60-301.

PART 2
DIVISION OF RACING EVENTS

12-60-201. [Formerly 12-60-102 (1)] Division of racing events - creation - representation. (1) There is hereby created, within the department of revenue, the division of racing events, the head of which shall be the director of the division of racing events. The director shall be appointed by, and shall be subject to removal by, the executive director of the department of revenue. The division of racing events, the Colorado racing commission created in subsection (2) of this section 12-60-301, and the director of the division of racing events shall exercise their respective powers and perform their respective duties and functions as specified in this article under the department of revenue as if the same were transferred to the department by a type 2 transfer, as such transfer is defined in the "Administrative Organization Act of 1968", article 1 of title 24, C.R.S.; except that the commission shall have full and exclusive authority to promulgate rules and regulations related to racing without any approval by, or delegation of authority from, the department of revenue.

(2) The division shall make investigations and shall request the commission or the district attorney of any district, as appropriate, to prosecute, on behalf of and in the name of the division, suits and proceedings for any of the purposes necessary and proper for carrying out the functions of the division.

12-60-202. [Formerly 12-60-102.3] Director - qualifications - powers and duties. (1) The director shall be qualified by training and experience to direct the work of the division; and, notwithstanding the provisions of section 24-5-101, C.R.S., shall be of good character and shall not have been convicted of any felony or gambling-related offense.

(2) The director shall devote his or her entire time and attention to the duties of the office and shall not be engaged in any other profession or occupation.

(3) The director, as administrative head of the division, shall direct and supervise all administrative and technical activities of the division. In addition to the duties imposed upon the director elsewhere in this article, it shall be the director's duty:

(a) To investigate, supervise, and administer the conduct of racing in accordance with the provisions of this article and the rules and regulations of the commission;

(b) To attend meetings of the commission or to appoint a designee to attend in the director's place;

(c) To employ and direct such personnel as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this article, but no person shall be employed who has been convicted of a felony or gambling-related offense, notwithstanding the provisions of section 24-5-101, C.R.S. The director by agreement may secure and provide payment for such services as the director may deem necessary from any department, agency, or unit of the state government and may employ and compensate such consultants and technical assistants as may be required and as otherwise permitted by law. Personnel employed by the director shall include but shall not be limited to a sufficient number of veterinarians, as defined in the "Colorado Veterinary Practice Act", article 64 of title 12, C.R.S., so that
at least one veterinarian employed by the director shall be present at every racetrack
during weighing in of animals and at all times that racing is being conducted; and the
director shall by rule authorize any such veterinarian to conduct physical
examinations of animals, including without limitation blood and urine tests and other
tests for the presence of prohibited drugs or medications, to ensure that the animals
are in proper physical condition to race, to prohibit any animal from racing if it is not
in proper physical condition to race, and to take other necessary and proper action to
ensure the health and safety of racing animals and the fairness of races.

(d) To confer, as necessary or desirable and not less than once each month, with
the commission on the conduct of racing;

(e) To make available for inspection by the commission or any member of the
commission, upon request, all books, records, files, and other information and
documents of the director's office;

(f) To advise the commission and recommend such rules and regulations and such
other matters as the director deems necessary and advisable to improve the conduct
of racing;

(g) To make a continuous study and investigation of the operation and the
administration of similar laws which may be in effect in other states or countries, any
literature on the subject which from time to time may be published or available, any
federal laws which may affect the conduct of racing, and the reaction of Colorado
citizens to existing and potential features of racing events in Colorado with a view to
recommending or effecting changes that will tend to serve the purposes of this article;

(h) To annually prepare and submit to the commission, for its approval, a proposed
budget for the ensuing fiscal year, which budget shall present a complete financial
plan setting forth all proposed expenditures and anticipated revenues of the division.
The fiscal year of the division shall commence on July 1 and end on June 30 of each
year.

(i) To perform any other lawful acts which the director and the commission may
consider necessary or desirable to carry out the purposes and provisions of this
article.

12-60-203. Investigators - peace officers. (1) All investigators of the
division of racing events and their supervisors, including the director and
the executive director, shall for purposes of enforcement of this article
be considered "peace officer, level III", as defined in section 18-1-901 (3) (I)
(IV), C.R.S.

(2) Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit local sheriffs,
police departments, and other local law enforcement agencies or the
Colorado bureau of investigation from enforcing the provisions of this
article or rules promulgated pursuant to this article, or from performing
their other duties to the full extent permitted by law. All such sheriffs,
police officers, district attorneys, other local law enforcement agencies,
or the Colorado bureau of investigation shall have all the powers set
forth in subsection (1) of this section.
12-60-204. Board of stewards or judges. The division shall establish a board of three stewards or judges to assist in supervising the conduct of any race meet. Two members of the board of stewards or judges shall be employees of the division. The remaining member shall be an employee of the track at which the race meet is held, shall be subject to the approval of the commission, and may be removed by the commission at any time for any reason which the commission deems good and sufficient.

PART 3
COLORADO RACING COMMISSION

12-60-301. [Formerly 12-60-102 (2) and (3)] Racing commission - creation.
(2) (1) There is hereby created, within the division of racing events, the Colorado racing commission. The commission shall consist of five members, all of whom shall be citizens of the United States and shall have been residents of this state for the past five years. The members shall be appointed by the governor, with the consent and approval of the senate. No member shall have been convicted of a felony or gambling-related offense, notwithstanding the provisions of section 24-5-101, C.R.S. No more than three of the five members shall be members of the same political party. At the first meeting of each fiscal year, a chairman and vice-chairman of the commission shall be chosen from the membership by a majority of the members. Membership and operation of the commission shall additionally meet the following requirements:

(a) Two members of the commission shall have been previously engaged in the horse racing industry for at least five years; one member shall be a practicing veterinarian who specializes in large animals and who is currently licensed in Colorado AND HAS BEEN SO LICENSED for not less than five years; one member shall be a certified public accountant or public accountant who has been practicing in Colorado HAVE BEEN ENGAGED IN BUSINESS IN A MANAGEMENT-LEVEL CAPACITY for at least five years; and who has a comprehensive knowledge of the principles and practices of corporate finance for not less than five years; one member shall have been previously engaged in the greyhound racing industry for at least five years; and one member shall be a registered elector of the state who is not employed in any profession or industry otherwise described in this paragraph (a); however, no more than two members of the commission shall be from the same congressional district, and one member of the commission shall be from west of the continental divide.

(b) Initial members shall be appointed to the commission by the governor as follows: One member to serve until July 1, 1993, one member to serve until July 1, 1994, one member to serve until July 1, 1995, and two members to serve until July 1, 1996. All subsequent appointments shall be for terms of four years. No member of the commission shall be eligible to serve more than two consecutive terms.

(c) Any vacancy on the commission shall be filled for the unexpired term in the same manner as the original appointment. The member appointed to fill such vacancy shall be from the same category described in paragraph (a) of this subsection (2) (1) as the member vacating the position.

(d) Any member of the commission may be removed by the governor at any time.
(e) The term of any member of the commission who misses more than two consecutive regular commission meetings without good cause shall be terminated and such member’s successor shall be appointed in the manner provided for appointments under this section.

(f) Commission members shall be reimbursed for necessary travel and other reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of their official duties.

(g) Prior to confirmation by the senate, each member shall file with the secretary of state a financial disclosure statement in the form required and prescribed by the executive director. Such statement shall be renewed as of each January 1 during the member’s term of office.

(h) The commission shall hold at least one meeting each month and such additional meetings as may be prescribed by rules of the commission. In addition, special meetings may be called by the chairman, any two commission members, or the director, if written notification of such meeting is delivered to each member at least seventy-two hours prior to such meeting. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 24-6-402, C.R.S., in emergency situations in which a majority of the commission certifies that exigencies of time require that the commission meet without delay, the requirements of public notice and of seventy-two hours’ actual advance written notice to members may be dispensed with, and commission members as well as the public shall receive such notice as is reasonable under the circumstances. Any action by the commission during such emergency meetings shall be limited to those issues relating to the emergency situation for which the meeting was called.

(i) A majority of the commission shall constitute a quorum, but the concurrence of a majority of the members appointed to the commission shall be required for any final determination by the commission.

(3) (Deleted by amendment, L. 92, p. 2068, § 2, effective June 6, 1992.)


(1) and (2) (Deleted by amendment, L. 92, p. 2073, §4, effective June 6, 1992.)

(3) (1) All moneys payable to and collected by the commission through the division shall be transmitted to the state treasurer, by the director or his designee. The state treasurer shall credit the same to the general fund, except for those moneys required by this article to be deposited in the horse breeders’ and owners’ awards and supplemental purse fund or in the racing commission cash fund.

(4) (2) The commission shall maintain an office within the state and shall keep detailed records of all its meetings and of all the business transacted and of all the collections and disbursements. The commission shall prepare and transmit annually, in the form and manner prescribed by the heads of the principal departments pursuant to the provisions of section 24-1-136, C.R.S., a report accounting to the governor and the general assembly for the efficient discharge of all responsibilities assigned by law or directive to the commission. Publications of the commission circulated in quantity
outside the executive branch shall be issued in accordance with the provisions of section 24-1-136, C.R.S.

(5) (a) The attorney general shall provide legal services for the division and the commission at the request of the executive director, the director, or the commission. The attorney general shall make reasonable efforts to ensure that there is continuity in the legal services provided and that the attorneys providing legal services to the division and the commission have expertise in such field.

(b) The director shall cause the attorney general to make investigations and to prosecute and defend, on behalf of and in the name of the division, suits and proceedings for any of the purposes necessary and proper for carrying out the functions of the division.

PART 4
CONFLICT OF INTEREST

12-60-401. [Formerly 12-60-102.6] Director and commission members - position of trust - conflicts of interest. (1) Appointment to the commission or to the position of director is declared to be a position of public trust, and therefore, in order to ensure the confidence of the people of the state in the integrity of the division and the commission, the director and members of the commission shall be subject to the following provisions of this section. While serving as director or as a member of the commission, no person nor any member of such person's immediate family shall:

(a) While serving as a member of the commission, no person nor any member of his immediate family shall hold any pecuniary interest in any racetrack operating within the boundaries of the state of Colorado; hold any pecuniary interest in any racetrack operating within the state of Colorado nor in any kennel, stable, compound, or farm that houses animals licensed or registered to race within the state of Colorado;

(b) While serving in an official capacity as a member of the commission or as executive head of the commission, no person shall wager money or any other chattel of value on the result of any race or race meet or sweepstakes conducted within the boundaries of the state of Colorado or conducted outside the state and simulcast into the state;

(c) Hold any pecuniary interest in any out-of-state host track or derive any pecuniary benefit from the racing of any animal at such track; or

(d) Hold more than a five percent interest in any entity doing business with a track.

(2) Failure to comply with the provisions of this section shall be grounds for removal from the commission office.

(3) For purposes of this section, "immediate family" means a spouse, child, parent, or sibling residing in the same household.
PART 5
LICENSING AND REGISTRATION

12-60-501. [Formerly 12-60-104] Regulation of race meets and racing-related businesses. (1) (a) The commission shall license and regulate all race meets with pari-mutuel wagering held in this state at which horses or greyhounds participate, and shall cause the places where such race meets are held to be visited and inspected at least once a year by its members or employees, and shall require all such places to be constructed, maintained, and operated in accordance with the laws of this state and the rules of the commission.

(b) The commission shall license and regulate all kennels and stables housing racing animals in connection with a race meet, shall cause such kennels and stables to be visited and inspected at least once a year by its members or employees, and shall require all such places to be constructed, maintained, and operated in accordance with the laws of this state and the rules of the commission.

(2) (a) In particular, the commission shall, at its own expense, regulate the operations of pari-mutuel machines and equipment, the operations of all money rooms, accounting rooms, and sellers’ and cashiers’ windows, and the weighing of jockeys and of greyhounds, and shall take or cause to be taken saliva, urine, blood, or other body fluid samples or biopsy or necropsy specimens from horses and greyhounds selected by the commission or its employees on a random, statistically valid basis at race meets provided for under this article or when concerns are raised as to a particular animal, including but not limited to the winner of a race, and shall test and determine such samples or specimens or cause such samples or specimens to be tested and determined. For such purposes, the commission, at its expense and in addition to other employees, shall employ or contract with competent veterinary doctors, accountants, chemists, and other persons necessary to supervise the conduct of race meets and to ascertain that this article and the rules and regulations of the commission are strictly complied with. The commission shall also seek innovative and efficient methods of testing animals for prohibited drugs and medication, while ensuring animal safety and maintaining the integrity of racing. Through its bidding process, the commission shall invite laboratories to include proposals for testing procedures and methods that would maintain or improve the effectiveness of test results and minimize testing cost incurred by the state or the racing industry.

(b) The commission shall establish and require compliance with internal control procedures for licensees, including accounting and reporting procedures.

(c) The commission shall license and regulate persons who manufacture or operate totalisators and shall require all totalisators to be manufactured, maintained, and operated in accordance with the laws of this state and rules of the commission.

(3) The commission shall approve license and regulate all in-state simulcast facilities conducting pari-mutuel wagering and shall require all such in-state
simulcast facilities to be maintained and operated in accordance with the laws of this state and rules and regulations of the commission.

(4) The commission shall, at its own expense, specifically regulate the operation by in-state simulcast facilities of pari-mutuel machines and equipment, the operation of all money and accounting facilities, and the operation of sellers' and cashiers' windows and ensure that the in-state simulcast facility is handling wagering as part of the pari-mutuel system of the appropriate track or simulcast facility and as part of the appropriate pari-mutuel pool, as designated in section 12-60-111.5 12-60-703. For such purposes, the commission, at its own expense, and in addition to other employees, shall employ the competent personnel necessary to supervise the wagering through in-state simulcast facilities and to ascertain that this article and the rules and regulations of the commission are strictly complied with.

12-60-502. Delegation of authority to issue certain licenses and registrations. The commission shall delegate to the division the authority to issue all business and occupational licenses and registrations contemplated in this article, and shall promulgate rules containing standards for such delegation. The commission shall not delegate its duty to issue or renew race meet licenses.

12-60-503. [Formerly 12-60-105] Rules of the commission - licensing - unlawful acts. (1) The commission shall make reasonable rules and regulations for the control, supervision, fingerprinting, identification, and direction of applicants and licensees, including regulations providing for the supervising, disciplining, suspending, fining, and barring from racing of all persons required to be licensed by this article and for the holding, conducting, and operating of all races, race meets, racetracks, and in-state simulcast facilities conducted pursuant to this article. It shall announce the place, time, number of races per day, duration of race meets, as provided in section 12-60-107 12-60-603, and types of race meets.

(2) (a) Every person holding a license under this article, every person operating an in-state simulcast facility, and every owner or trainer of any horse or greyhound licensed to enter any racing contest under this article shall comply with all rules and orders issued by the commission. It is unlawful for any person to work upon the premises of a racetrack without first obtaining from the commission a license for such activity. The commission may waive this licensing requirement for such occupational categories as the commission, in its discretion, deems unnecessary to be licensed except owners, trainers, farriers, security positions, persons selling tickets or handling money directly related to wagers, and any supervisory or management position or registered. This licensing requirement does not apply to the members of the commission or its employees or to persons whose only participation is individually as spectator or bettor. It is unlawful for any person who owns or leases a racing animal to allow such animal to race in this state without first obtaining an owner's license from the commission, as prescribed by the rules of the commission. The fees for such licenses which relate to the racing of greyhounds shall be fixed by the commission and shall be compatible with the fees for such licenses which relate to the racing of horses. The commission in its discretion may extend the validity of any license issued for a period not to exceed three years, and the fee for such license shall be increased proportionately. It is unlawful for any person to hold any race meet with pari-mutuel wagering without obtaining a license therefor. It is
unlawful for any person to operate an in-state simulcast facility unless that person is
a licensee that has been licensed within the year to hold a race meet or is a
licensee that has a written simulcast racing agreement with the in-state host track
or out-of-state host track from which the simulcast race is broadcast and has filed a
copy of the written simulcast racing agreement with the commission prior to operation
as an in-state simulcast facility.

(b) Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, in order to
courage the reopening, as tracks, of facilities that previously were licensed to hold
race meets but which currently are not so licensed, a person who owns or controls the
possession of a facility which previously has been licensed to hold a race meet may
operate such facility as an in-state simulcast facility if such person makes application
for a race meet license pursuant to section 12-60-106, provides the commission with
notice of intention to reopen and conduct race meets at the facility, and provides
evidence reasonably satisfactory to the commission that such person, at the time of
application, has the financial ability and management expertise required to reopen
and operate such facility as a track and if all other requirements for operating an
in-state simulcast facility, except the requirement that the person be licensed within
the year to hold a race meet, are met; except that authorization to operate as an
in-state simulcast facility under this paragraph (b) shall continue for only twelve
months after the date on which written notice of such authorization is issued by the
commission, and the authorization shall not be renewed. Such authorization may be
granted by the commission only until and including July 31, 1992. If a person has
been granted authorization pursuant to this paragraph (b) and is otherwise qualified
to obtain a license, the commission may assign race dates to such person upon such
person's application to the commission for race dates; however, the granting of a
license to such person shall be conditional upon such person having a facility which,
on or before its first race date, qualifies as a properly constructed racetrack pursuant
to section 12-60-108 (1) (a).


(4) and (5) Repealed, L. 76, p. 588, § 28, effective May 24, 1976.

12-60-504. Business licenses. (1) Every application for a business license,
excluding applications for initial or renewal race meet licenses pursuant
to sections 12-60-505 and 12-60-511, shall be made under oath and filed
with the commission and shall set forth such information as the rules of
the commission may require in connection with the application.

(2) To determine whether a license shall be granted, the commission
shall have the right to examine the financial and other records of the
applicant and to compel the production of records and documents.

(3) The commission has discretion to grant or deny a business license if
it finds that any applicant or any of the directors, officers, or original
stockholders of a corporate applicant have violated any of the provisions
of this article or any rules of the commission, or failed to pay any of the
sums required under this article, or as it determines, from such
application, the character, financial ability, and experience of each
individual applicant or the officers and director of each corporate
APPLICANT TO BE FOR THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE STATE AND THE RACING INDUSTRY.

(4) **When conducting investigations pursuant to this section, to the extent possible, the Commission shall utilize investigative information of other state racing jurisdictions.** The Commission may investigate an existing licensee who is seeking to acquire ownership of another existing license.

(5) **Any unexpired license held by any person who has been convicted by the Commission of violating any of the provisions of this article or any rule of the Commission, or who has willfully or fraudulently made any false statement in any application for a license, or who fails to pay to the Commission any and all sums required under the provisions of this article is subject to cancellation or revocation by the Commission.**

(6) **The Commission shall have the power to issue subpoenas for the appearance of persons and the production of documents and other things in connection with applications before the Commission or in the conduct of investigations.**

12-60-505. [Formerly 12-60-106] Meet licenses. (1) Every initial application for a license to hold race meets under this article shall be made under oath and shall be filed with the Commission on or before a day fixed by the Commission and shall set forth the time, the place, and the number of days such meet shall continue; the kind of racing proposed to be conducted; the full name and address of the applicant and if a corporation the names and addresses of all of its officers and directors and all of the holders of each class of its stock and the amount of stock of each class so owned by each stockholder; the location of the racetrack and whether the same is owned or leased; the names and residences of the owners of all property leased by such applicant; a statement of the assets and liabilities of such applicant; a description of the qualifications and experience of the applicant if an individual or of its officers and directors if a corporation; a full disclosure of all holding or intermediary companies associated with the applicant, as well as their shareholders, all contracts that relate to the race meet, certified balance sheets of corporate applicants, and the terms and conditions of all contracts by which the applicant has received credit; a description of the land uses within a radius of two miles of the establishment in which such race meet is proposed to be conducted; and such incidental information as the rules of the commission may require in aid of the foregoing requirements in connection with the application.

(2) Upon the filing of such application, the Commission shall fix a date for a hearing on the application, and said applicant shall give public notice of the time and place of such hearing by publication in one issue of a daily or weekly newspaper of general circulation in the area in which it is proposed to conduct such race meet and by posting on the site of such proposed race meet a notice, in form and size to be determined by the Commission, that such application has been filed and the date and place of the hearing thereon. At the time and place mentioned in said notice, the Commission shall conduct a public hearing at which evidence for and against the granting of the application may be presented.

(3) Except as otherwise limited by the provisions of this article, in considering an
application for a license under this section, the commission may give consideration to the number of licenses already granted, and to the location of tracks previously licensed, and to the sentiments and character of the community in which the proposed race meets are to be conducted, and to the ability, character, and experience of each individual applicant or the officers and directors of each corporate applicant. The commission may require of every applicant for a license to hold a race meet, except a public nonprofit association, nonprofit corporation, or nonprofit fair, including the Colorado state fair and all county fairs, who has not, within five years prior to making an application for a license to hold a race meet, operated a race meet in the county, city, or city and county in which it is proposed to hold such race meet, a recommendation in writing of the board of county commissioners of said county in the event the race meet is to be held in unincorporated areas of said county or of the governing board of a city or city and county if the proposed race meet is to be held within a city or city and county. THE COMMISSION MAY TAKE SUCH RECOMMENDATION INTO CONSIDERATION BEFORE GRANTING OR REFUSING SUCH LICENSES. Beginning July 1, 1977, the commission may deny a license to operate a new racetrack to a person who is already licensed to operate a racetrack within this or any other state if, in the opinion of the commission, the granting of such license would discourage legitimate competition from other qualified applicants.

(4) The commission may take such recommendation into consideration before granting or refusing such licenses. The commission shall investigate any applicant and shall require the applicant to pay the actual cost of investigating the application but not to exceed twenty-five thousand dollars AS PART OF THE FEES AND COSTS IMPOSED PURSUANT TO SECTION 12-60-506. The applicant shall advance the moneys necessary for the investigation to the commission, and the commission shall return any unused portion of such moneys to the applicant at the conclusion of the commission's investigation. The advance of such moneys may either be made directly to the commission or the moneys may be deposited into escrow in a manner approved by the commission.

(5) The commission may grant or refuse licenses to conduct race meets under this article as it determines, from such application, the character, financial ability, and experience of each individual applicant or the officers and directors of each corporate applicant, the sentiments of the community and the character of the area wherein it is proposed to conduct such race meets, and the evidence presented at such hearing, to be for the best interests of the state, the racing industry, and the area in which it is proposed to conduct such race meets.

(6) No license shall be issued to THE COMMISSION HAS DISCRETION TO GRANT OR DENY A RACE MEET LICENSE IF IT FINDS THAT any applicant who has, or any of whose THE directors, officers, or original stockholders OF A CORPORATE APPLICANT have, been convicted of any crime involving moral turpitude, or of any felony under the laws of this or any other state or of the United States, subject to the provisions of section 24-5-101, C.R.S., or who has been found guilty by the commission of violating ANY of the provisions of this article or any rules or regulations of the commission or who has failed to pay any of the sums required under this article. A certified copy of the judgment of the court in which such conviction occurred shall be presumptive evidence of conviction in any hearing under this article.

(7) Every license issued under this article shall specify the number of days said
licensed race meet shall continue and the number of races per day. No license shall be granted to any individual who is not a bona fide resident of Colorado nor to any foreign corporation. Every applicant shall agree that, if granted a license under this article, such applicant will not thereafter sell, mortgage, or otherwise pledge or dispose of any of the assets listed and described on the application for a license or a renewal license without thirty days' prior notice to the commission, which may approve or disapprove the disposition of assets upon good cause shown. The charter of all corporate applicants shall contain a provision that, when a cumulative ten percent or more of the voting stock of such corporation is to be sold, mortgaged, or otherwise pledged or transferred, thirty days' prior notice shall be given to the commission. The corporation shall pay an investigation fee to the commission which shall not be more than the amount specified in subsection (4) of this section as part of the fees and costs imposed pursuant to section 12-60-506. The commission shall approve or disapprove of the disposition of such stock, upon good cause shown, within ninety days of such filing of a completed application for transfer. The commission has the power to ascertain if any capital stock of any corporate applicant or licensee is held with the intent to mislead or deceive the commission for an undisclosed principal. The involvement of an undisclosed principal shall be grounds for the denial, suspension, or revocation of a license.

(8) Upon petition by the licensee and a finding by the commission that it is impossible or impractical for a licensee, because of fire or act of God or other unforeseeable emergency not caused or participated in by the licensee, to conduct a race meet upon the dates allocated or upon a racetrack designated by the commission to the licensee, other dates and locations may be substituted and granted to the licensee. A licensee so petitioning may be granted the right to lease and utilize any other licensee's facilities for the term of the petitioning licensee's annual permit or any portion thereof, but said grant shall not be construed to allow any licensee more days of racing in any year than are prescribed by this article.

(9) When conducting investigations pursuant to subsections (4) and (7) of this section, to the extent possible, the commission shall utilize investigative information of other state racing jurisdictions. The commission may investigate an existing licensee who is seeking to acquire ownership of another existing license to conduct race meets.

12-60-506. Application - fee - waiver of confidentiality. (1) In connection with the issuance of licenses, the commission shall establish investigation and application fees for the purpose of paying for the administrative costs of the commission and for paying for any background investigations of applicants and others. These fees may vary depending on the type of application, the complexity of the investigation, or the costs of the commission in reviewing the matters involved.

(2) The application form created by the commission shall include a waiver of any right of confidentiality and a provision which allows the information contained in the application to be accessible to law enforcement agents of this or any other state or the government of the United States. The waiver of confidentiality shall extend to any financial or personnel record, wherever maintained.
12-60-507. [Formerly 12-60-105.6] Investigation - denial, suspension, and revocation actions against licensees. (1) The commission or the board of stewards or judges of a race meet, upon its own motion, may, and upon verified complaint in writing of any person shall, investigate the activities of any licensee or applicant within the state or any person upon the premises of a track; and in addition to its authority under any other provision of this article, the commission or board of stewards or judges may issue a letter of admonition to a licensee, fine a licensee, suspend a license, or deny an application for a license, and the commission may or revoke a license, if such person has committed any of the following violations:

(a) Making any substantial or willful misrepresentation;

(b) Disregarding or violating any provisions of this article or provisions of any rule or regulation promulgated by the commission in the interests of the public and in conformance with the provisions of this article;

(c) Conviction of a felony under the laws of this or any other state or of the United States, subject to the provisions of section 24-5-101, C.R.S. BEING CONVICTED OF, OR ENTERED A PLEA OF GUILTY OR NOLO CONTENDERE TO, A CRIMINAL CHARGE UNDER THE LAWS OF THIS OR ANY OTHER STATE OR OF THE UNITED STATES, OR ENTERED INTO A PLEA BARGAIN FOR ACTS OR OMISSIONS THAT, IF COMMITTED IN COLORADO, WOULD HAVE BEEN GROUNDS FOR DISCIPLINE IN THIS STATE. A certified copy of the judgment of the court in which any such conviction occurred shall be presumptive evidence of such conviction in any hearing under this article. THIS PARAGRAPH (b) SHALL BE APPLIED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 24-5-101, C.R.S.

(d) Fraud, willful misrepresentation, or deceit in racing;

(e) Falsification, misrepresentation, or omission of required information in a license application to the commission;

(f) Failure to disclose to the commission complete ownership or beneficial interest in a racing animal entered to be raced;

(g) Misrepresentation or attempted misrepresentation in connection with the sale of a racing animal or other matter pertaining to racing or registration of racing animals;

(h) Failure to comply with any order or rulings of the commission, the stewards, the judges, or a racing official pertaining to a racing matter;

(i) Ownership of any interest in or participation by any manner in any
bookmaking, pool-selling, touting, bet solicitation, or illegal enterprise;

(j) Unqualified by experience or competence to perform the activity permitted by the license possessed or being applied for;

(k) Employment or harboring of unlicensed persons on the premises of a racetrack;

(l) Employment or being assisted by any person who is not of good record or good moral character;

(m) Discontinuance of or ineligibility for the activity for which the license was issued;

(n) Possession on the premises of a racetrack of:

(I) Firearms; or

(II) A battery, buzzer, electrical device, or other appliance other than a whip which could be used to alter the speed of a racing animal in a race or while working out or schooling;

(o) Possession, on the premises of a racetrack, by a person other than a licensed veterinarian of:

(I) A hypodermic needle, hypodermic syringe, or other similar device;

(II) Any substance, compound items, or combination thereof of any medicine, narcotic, stimulant, depressant, or anesthetic which could alter the normal performance of a racing animal unless specifically authorized by the commission veterinarian;

(p) Cruelty to or neglect of a racing animal;

(q) Offering, promising, giving, accepting, or soliciting a bribe in any form, directly or indirectly, to or by a person having any connection with the outcome of a race, or failure to report knowledge of such act immediately to the stewards, the judges, or the commission;

(r) Causing, attempting to cause, or participating in any way in any attempt to cause the prearrangement of a race result, or failure to report knowledge of such act immediately to the stewards, the judges, or the commission;

(s) Entering, or aiding and abetting the entry of, a racing animal
ineligible or unqualified for the race entered;

  (t) Willfully or unjustifiably entering or racing of any animal in any race under any name or designation other than the name or designation assigned to such animal by and registered with the official recognized registry for that breed of animal, or willfully setting on foot SOLICITING, instigating, engaging in or in any way furthering any act by which any racing animal is entered or raced in any race under any name or designation other than the name or designation duly assigned by and registered with the official recognized registry for that breed of animal;

  (u) Aiding or abetting any person in the violation of any rule of the commission;

  (v) Racing at a racetrack without having a racing animal registered to race at that racetrack;

  (w) Being on the premises of a racetrack for which the applicant or licensee is required to be licensed without being able to show proof of gainful employment at that racetrack.

(2) Any person who fails to pay in a timely manner WITHIN THE TIME PERIOD ESTABLISHED BY RULE a fine imposed pursuant to this article shall pay, in addition to the fine due, a penalty amount equal to the fine. Any person who submits to the department of revenue through the division a check in payment of a fine or license fee requirement imposed pursuant to this article, which check is not honored by the financial institution upon which it is drawn, shall pay, in addition to the fine or fee due, a penalty amount equal to the fine or fee. All moneys received pursuant to a penalty amount imposed by this subsection (2) shall be credited to the general fund of the state.

(3) ANY PERSON AGGRIEVED BY A FINAL ACTION OR ORDER OF THE COMMISSION MAY APPEAL SUCH ACTION TO THE COLORADO COURT OF APPEALS.

12-60-507.5. License - mandatory disqualification - criteria. (1) THE COMMISSION SHALL DENY A LICENSE TO ANY APPLICANT ON THE BASIS OF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

  (a) FAILURE OF THE APPLICANT TO PROVE BY CLEAR AND CONVINCING EVIDENCE THAT THE APPLICANT IS QUALIFIED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ARTICLE;

  (b) FAILURE OF THE APPLICANT TO PROVIDE INFORMATION, DOCUMENTATION, AND ASSURANCES REQUIRED BY THIS ARTICLE OR REQUESTED BY THE COMMISSION, FAILURE OF THE APPLICANT TO REVEAL ANY FACT MATERIAL TO QUALIFICATION, OR THE SUPPLYING OF INFORMATION WHICH IS UNTRUE OR MISLEADING AS TO A MATERIAL FACT PERTAINING TO THE QUALIFICATION CRITERIA;

  (c) CONVICTION OF THE APPLICANT, OR ANY OF ITS OFFICERS OR DIRECTORS, OR ANY OF ITS GENERAL PARTNERS, OR ANY STOCKHOLDERS, LIMITED PARTNERS, OR OTHER PERSONS HAVING A FINANCIAL OR EQUITY INTEREST OF FIVE PERCENT OR GREATER IN THE APPLICANT, OF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:
(I) ANY GAMBLING-RELATED OFFENSE OR THEFT BY DECEPTION;

(II) ANY CRIME INVOLVING FRAUD OR MISREPRESENTATION, NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 24-5-101, C.R.S.;

(d) CURRENT PROSECUTION OR PENDING CHARGES IN ANY JURISDICTION AGAINST THE APPLICANT, OR AGAINST ANY PERSON LISTED IN PARAGRAPH (c) OF THIS SUBSECTION (1), FOR ANY OF THE OFFENSES ENUMERATED IN SAID PARAGRAPH (c); EXCEPT THAT, AT THE REQUEST OF THE APPLICANT OR THE PERSON CHARGED, THE COMMISSION SHALL DEFER DECISION UPON SUCH APPLICATION DURING THE PENDENCY OF SUCH CHARGE.

12-60-508. [Formerly 12-60-105.5] Hearings - review. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, all proceedings before the commission or a hearing officer with respect to the denial, suspension, or revocation of licenses or the imposition of fines shall be conducted pursuant to the provisions of sections 24-4-104 and 24-4-105, C.R.S.

(2) Such proceedings shall be held in the county where the commission has its office or in such other place as the commission may designate. The commission shall notify the applicant or licensee by mailing by first-class mail a copy of the written notice required to the last address furnished by the applicant or licensee to the commission.

(3) (a) The commission may delegate its authority to conduct hearings AND IMPOSE DISCIPLINE with respect to the denial or suspension of licenses or the imposition of a fine to its board of stewards or judges or a hearing officer. Proceedings before the board of stewards or judges or a hearing officer shall not be governed by the procedural or other requirements of sections 24-4-104 and 24-4-105, C.R.S., but rather shall be conducted in accordance with rules adopted by the commission.

(b) THE COMMISSION MAY DIRECT THAT ANY HEARING BE CONDUCTED BEFORE AN ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE APPOINTED PURSUANT TO PART 10 OF ARTICLE 30 OF TITLE 24, C.R.S.

(3.5) At least one member of the board of stewards or judges shall be appointed and employed by the commission. The remaining members of the board of stewards or judges shall be subject to the approval of the commission and may be removed by the commission at any time for any reason which is deemed good and sufficient.

(4) The board of stewards or judges shall be restricted in the scope of its authority as follows:

(a) The board of stewards or judges shall have the authority to punish violators of this article, including rules promulgated pursuant to this article, by suspending a license for a period not to exceed the duration of the meet plus sixty days after the close of the meet or by imposing a fine not to exceed five hundred dollars, or both, and may refer the case to the commission for review after the hearing if it believes a more severe penalty should be imposed.
(b) The board of stewards or judges may summarily suspend a license pending a hearing for a period not to exceed fourteen days where it has reasonable grounds to believe and finds that the licensee has been guilty of a deliberate or willful violation or that the public health, safety, or welfare imperatively requires emergency action, incorporates such findings in its order, and promptly institutes the disciplinary hearing proceedings.

(4.5) An action of the board of stewards or judges denying or suspending a license or imposing a fine shall be effective only if approved by at least one member of the board of stewards or judges who is appointed and employed by the commission.

(5) The board of stewards or judges shall have the authority to administer oaths and affirmations, sign and issue subpoenas and order the production of documents and other evidence, and regulate the course of the hearing, pursuant to rules adopted by the commission.

(6) Any person aggrieved by a final order or ruling issued by the board of stewards or judges shall have a right to appeal such order or ruling to the commission, pursuant to procedural rules which shall be adopted by the commission. The aggrieved party may petition the commission for a stay of execution pending appeal to the commission.


(1) For the protection of the public and the exhibitors, contestants, and visitors, every person licensed to conduct a race meet under the provisions of this article shall carry public liability insurance in the form of a contract and with a company to be approved by the commission.

(2) Every organization representing the majority of the owners of racing animals participating in any race meet may require the licensee conducting such race meet to provide and deliver to the commission evidence of a savings account, deposit, or certificate of deposit meeting the requirements of section 11-35-101, C.R.S., or a bond signed by a surety company authorized to do business in this state, in such form as shall be required by the commission, in a sum of not less than five thousand dollars and such further amount as may be required by the commission; an amount sufficient to cover all awards and purses due to the contestants at such race meet and conditioned that said licensee will pay to the state of Colorado all moneys due it under the provisions of this article, and that the licensee will pay and discharge all obligations to the employees, exhibitors, contestants, and persons furnishing labor and material in connection with any race meet or in connection with the construction, maintenance, repair, or operation of the racetrack, buildings, and grounds thereon or connected therewith, and generally that such licensee will conduct said race meet strictly in accordance with the provisions of this article and the rules and regulations of the commission and will not violate any other law of this state while operating under such license.

(2.5) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (2) of this section, every person licensed to conduct a race meet other than a horse race meet who has been
licensed in this state for five consecutive years and who, during this period, has not had any actions on the bond or other evidence demonstrating a lack of financial responsibility required in subsection (2) of this section shall be exempt from the requirement to file such bond or other evidence of financial responsibility.

(b) If any actions are subsequently brought against the licensee, the commission may reinstate the requirement of a bond or any other evidence of financial responsibility meeting the requirements of section 11-35-101, C.R.S.

(2) It is the duty of the attorney general of this state or the district attorney of the county wherein such race meet is held to prosecute all actions on such bonds on behalf of this state. Any person having any claim against any licensee for any reason whatever, except a cause of action covered by public liability insurance, may prosecute the same in an action in his own behalf brought in the name of the state of Colorado for his use and benefit and at the expense of such claimant, and any claimant recovering in any such action, suit, or proceeding on any such bond is entitled to recover such sum as the court may adjudge reasonable for the attorney's fees therein for bringing or prosecuting such action, suit, or proceeding.

(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this article to the contrary, the commission shall grant licenses to conduct the racing of standardbred harness horses pursuant to the provisions of this article and in accordance with subsections (2) and (3) of this section.

(2) Such licenses may be issued to conduct not more than three such race meets in any one year at a racetrack specifically designed and used for the racing of no animals other than standardbred harness horses, but such race meets may not be held on the same dates as race meets authorized by the commission for animals other than standardbred harness horses that are held within forty miles of the track licensed for the racing of standardbred harness horses. In addition, licenses may be issued by the commission to conduct three race meets for the racing of standardbred harness horses in any one year at any racetrack at which horse race meets are held and which is not within forty miles of any other racetrack licensed for the racing of horses or the racing of standardbred harness horses.

(3) No tracks licensed for the racing of standardbred harness horses may be located within forty miles of one another, but such tracks may be located within forty miles of any track licensed for the racing of animals other than standardbred harness horses subject to the limitations in subsection (2) of this section.

(4) The provisions of subsection (3) of this section shall not restrict the right of a county to conduct extended standardbred harness horse race meets, upon being licensed by the state racing commission, at a county fairground if such race meets are not within fifteen miles of any race track licensed in Colorado for the racing of horses.

12-60-511. [Formerly 12-60-108] Eligibility to operate race meets - renewal or revocation. (1) (a) No person shall be eligible to operate a race meet under a license issued under the provisions of this article unless such person is the owner or
controls the possession of a properly constructed racetrack suitable for the conduct of racing and improved with safe and suitable grandstands, equipped with reasonably sanitary accommodations and also such accommodations, including track conditions, as the commission may require for the care and control of the animals racing at such meet, and also such other improvements as, in the opinion of the commission, may be required for the protection of the public, human and animal participants, and others likely to be present at such race meet. In consideration of the location of the track and other structures and erections and the probable capacity requirements to accommodate the crowd and the number of people that will reasonably be expected to occupy such grandstands and attend such race meets, a major racing operation license shall not be issued for the racing of horses at a class A track which is within forty miles of any other major racing operation licensed under this article for the racing of horses at a class A track; nor shall a major racing operation license be issued for the racing of horses at a class B track which is within forty miles of any other major racing operation licensed under this article for the racing of horses at a class B track. In no event shall any racing operation licensed under this article for the racing of horses at a horse track located within forty miles of the Colorado state fair and industrial exposition conduct race meets of horses on the same dates as the race meets of horses at the state fair.

(b) As used in paragraph (a) of this subsection (1), "major racing operation" means nonprofit corporations and commercial tracks conducting race meets which exceed fifteen racing days.

(2) A license shall not be issued for the racing of greyhounds within forty miles of any other racing operation licensed under this article for the racing of greyhounds. This provision shall not apply to races conducted by any state, county, or other fair association holding not more than one race meet annually for a period not exceeding six days.

(3) Applications for renewal of such license shall be filed with the commission on or before a day fixed by the commission and shall set forth the name of the applicant and if a corporation the names and addresses of its officers and directors with a list attached thereto of the names and addresses of all the holders of its stock, as of a date not more than thirty days prior to the filing of such application, and the amount of voting stock held by each stockholder. If any of its voting stock is known by any applicant to be registered in the name of a person not the actual owner thereof, such list shall also show the name and address of such actual owner.

(4) Said application shall set forth the proposed dates of race meets, the dates within such race meets on which the applicant intends to conduct racing at such meetings and the number of races intended to be run on such dates, and the address of the establishment where such meets are to be held and shall have attached thereto the most recent financial statement of the applicant as of a date not more than twelve months prior to the date of the application for renewal of such license. Such application shall also contain such other information as the rules of the commission may provide to ensure that such licensee is conducting race meets in accordance with the provisions of this article and the rules and regulations of the commission. To determine whether an application for renewal of such license to conduct race meets shall be granted, the commission shall have the right to examine the financial and other records of the licensee, to compel the production of records
and documents, to conduct hearings, to summon witnesses, and to administer oaths.

(5) (a) As soon as is practicable after the date fixed for the filing of said applications for renewal, the commission shall meet and determine the granting or denial thereof. If the commission finds that the applicant has fully complied with the requirements and conditions for renewal, the application for renewal shall be granted, and the commission shall allot and assign to the respective applicants, in the manner stated in this subsection (5), dates for race meets and dates for racing within the race meet and the number of races on such dates.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in this article, in its sound discretion, the commission may allot different dates for race meets, different dates for racing within a race meet, and a different number of races on such dates from those requested in the application for renewal. In making such allotment of dates, the commission shall do so in its sound discretion and shall endeavor to allot to each applicant the dates requested in the respective applications so filed by the applicants, after giving due consideration to all factors involved, including the interests of the respective applicants and the public and the best interests of racing, and avoiding, whenever possible, conflicts in live greyhound race dates between greyhound tracks in the same circuit or a conflict in live horse race dates between class A tracks or between class B tracks located within fifty miles of each other; except that the commission may allot dates to a state, county, or other fair commission or association holding not more than one race meet annually for a period not exceeding six days, notwithstanding that such dates conflict with the dates allotted to another applicant conducting live racing of the same type animals. When the granting of requested initial or renewal race dates would result in a conflict, the commission, in its discretion, may grant race dates so as to avoid such conflict to the extent possible, giving preference to requests for race dates from license applicants whose licensed race meet in the previous year included such race dates.

(6) In the event the commission finds that any applicant for a renewal of a license to conduct race meets under this article has violated any of the provisions of this article or any rule or regulation of the commission, or has willfully or fraudulently made any false statement in an original application for a license to hold race meets or for the renewal of such license, or has failed to pay the commission any sums required by this article, or lacks the ability, experience, or finances to conduct race meets, the commission may refuse to grant a renewal of such license.

(7) Any unexpired license held by any person who has been convicted by the commission of violating any of the provisions of this article or any rule or regulation of the commission, or who has willfully or fraudulently made any false statement in any application for a license to hold a race meet or for the renewal of such license, or who fails to pay to the commission any and all sums required under the provisions of this article is subject to cancellation or revocation by the commission. Such cancellation shall be made only after a summary hearing before the commission, of which three days' notice in writing shall be given the licensee specifying the grounds for the proposed cancellation and at which hearing the licensee shall be given an opportunity to be heard in person and by counsel in opposition to the proposed cancellation. No license shall be granted or continued to any licensee for any race meet licensed under this article who has made default in any payment of any premium or prizes on any race meets held under this article or who has failed to meet any
monetary obligations in connection with any race meet held in this state.

12-60-512. [Formerly 12-60-105.7] Division of racing events - access to records. The division, for purposes of this article, shall have full authority to procure, at the expense of the division, any records furnished to or maintained by any law enforcement agency in the United States, including state and local law enforcement agencies in Colorado and other states for the purposes of carrying out its responsibilities. Upon request from the Colorado bureau of investigation, the division shall provide copies of any and all information obtained pursuant to this part 5.

PART 6
UNLAWFUL ACTS

12-60-601. Underage wagering. (1) NO PERSON UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN YEARS SHALL PURCHASE, REDEEM, OR ATTEMPT TO PURCHASE OR REDEEM ANY PARI-MUTUEL TICKET.

(2) NO PERSON SHALL SELL ANY PARI-MUTUEL TICKET TO A PERSON UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN YEARS.

(3) ANY PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SECTION Commits A CLASS 2 PETTY OFFENSE, AND, UPON CONVICTION THEREOF, SHALL BE PUNISHED BY A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS.

12-60-602. [Formerly 12-60-106.5] Simulcast facilities and simulcast races - unlawful act. (1) It is unlawful for any person to accept or place wagers on any simulcast race within the state of Colorado except under the provisions of this article. It is lawful to conduct pari-mutuel wagering on simulcast races of horses or greyhounds which are received by an in-state simulcast facility authorized and operated pursuant to this article.

(2) Cross simulcasting between an in-state host track or an out-of-state host track and an in-state simulcast facility, or between an in-state host track and an out-of-state simulcast facility, is permissible.

(3) A race meet of greyhounds which is conducted at an in-state host track may be received as a simulcast race by any simulcast facility; except that, notwithstanding any consent granted pursuant to the provisions of section 12-60-101 (4.5), an in-state simulcast facility which is located within fifty miles of a greyhound track may not receive simulcast races of greyhounds on any day on which such greyhound track is running live greyhound races, unless the licensee of such greyhound track consents thereto.

(4) A race meet of horses which is conducted at an in-state host track may be received as a simulcast race by any simulcast facility; except that, notwithstanding any consent granted pursuant to the provisions of section 12-60-101 (4.5), an in-state simulcast facility which is located within fifty miles of a horse track, which has held within the previous twelve months or is licensed and scheduled to hold within the next twelve months a horse race meet of no less than fifty race days or no less than sixty race days if such twelve-month period includes any portion of the
track's third or subsequent year of operation, may not receive simulcast races of horses on any day on which such horse track is running live horse races, unless the licensee of such horse track consents thereto.

(5) (a) An in-state simulcast facility may receive only special event greyhound races from an out-of-state host track and, in addition, on any day on which an in-state simulcast facility receives greyhound simulcast races from an out-of-state host track and on which one or more in-state host tracks are running live greyhound races, such in-state simulcast facility must receive and conduct pari-mutuel wagering on the broadcast signal of simulcast greyhound races from at least one such in-state host track, if such broadcast signal is made available to it on usual and customary terms and conditions, including price. The commission shall approve no more than fifteen special events per year.

(b) (I) (A) On or after July 1, 1991, and an in-state simulcast facility which is located on the premises of a horse track which runs a horse race meet of at least fifty live race days or at least sixty live race days if such horse race meet is held during any portion of the track's third or subsequent year of operation may receive, each year, three days of simulcast horse races from an out-of-state host track for each day of live horse racing conducted at such horse track during such year.

(B) On or after July 1, 1991, a facility which is reopening as a track pursuant to section 12-60-105 (2) (b) 12-60-503 (2) (b) may receive three days of simulcast horse races from an out-of-state host track for each day of live horse racing for which the commission has granted it a race date for the subsequent year. A day of simulcast horse races, for the purposes of this paragraph (b), shall not include a day on which live horse races are conducted at the horse track at which the simulcast facility is located or a day on which the simulcast facility receives only simulcast races of horses from a race meet conducted at an in-state host track.

(II) On or after October 1, 1991, an in-state simulcast facility which is not located on the premises of a horse track which runs a horse race meet of at least fifty live race days, or at least sixty live race days if such horse race meet is held during any portion of the track's third or subsequent year of operation, may only receive a broadcast signal of a simulcast horse race conducted at an out-of-state host track through an in-state simulcast facility which is located on the premises of a horse track which runs a horse race meet of at least fifty live race days, or at least sixty live race days if such horse race meet is held during any portion of the track's third or subsequent year of operation or through a facility which is reopening as a track pursuant to section 12-60-105 (2) (b) 12-60-503 (2) (b), and which has qualified to receive broadcasts of such simulcast horse race pursuant to the provisions of subparagraph (I) of this paragraph (b).

(III) On any day on which an in-state simulcast facility receives simulcast horse races, either directly from an out-of-state host track or through another in-state simulcast facility or facility which is reopening as a track, and on which one or more in-state host tracks are running live horse races, such in-state simulcast facility must receive and conduct pari-mutuel wagering on the broadcast signal of simulcast horse races from at least one such in-state host track, if such broadcast signal is made available to it on usual and customary terms and conditions, including price, as determined by the commission.
(IV) On any day on which an in-state host track is running live races of horses, such track may receive no more than four simulcast races of horses from an out-of-state host track; except that the commission may, in its discretion, increase the number of allowable simulcasts for good cause shown by a licensee. All simulcasting or horse races shall comply with the provisions of the federal "Interstate Horseracing Act of 1978", 15 U.S.C. secs. 3001-3007, as amended.

(6) An in-state simulcast facility having a written simulcast racing agreement with an in-state or out-of-state host track pursuant to section 12-60-105(2) 12-60-503 (2) may receive simulcast races, as specified in subsections (2) to (5) of this section, on any day, including a day not within the race meet of such in-state simulcast facility which is also a track and a day on which no live race is conducted within the race meet of such in-state simulcast facility which is also a track.

(7) Notwithstanding any other provision of this article, no simulcast race of horses may be received by any simulcast facility in the state of Colorado during calendar year 1993 unless at least one race meet of horses has been conducted within the state during calendar year 1992; and no simulcast race of horses may be received by any simulcast facility in the state of Colorado during calendar year 1994 unless at least one race meet of horses has been conducted within the state during calendar year 1993.

12-60-603. [Formerly 12-60-107] Duration of meets. (1) (a) It is unlawful to conduct any race meet at which wagering is permitted except under the provisions of this article. It is lawful to conduct pari-mutuel wagering on live horse or greyhound races which are part of a race meet licensed and conducted pursuant to this article. The duration of any horse race meet at a class B track shall be at least fifty race days, or at least sixty live race days if such horse race meet is held during any portion of the track's third or subsequent year of operation; except that the commission may prescribe a lesser number of race days in the event of unforeseen circumstances or acts of God.

(b) A race day is any period of twenty-four hours beginning at 12 midnight Colorado time and included in the period of a race meet and upon which day live racing is held. Dark days within a race meet shall not be counted as race days. Days on which an in-state simulcast facility which is a track receives simulcast races but does not conduct live races shall not be counted as race days. Subject to the provisions of this article, the number and kind of race meets to be held at any one track shall be determined by the commission; however, race meet days for both horses and greyhounds shall be permitted on Sundays; except that no live Sunday greyhound racing shall be permitted while live horse racing is in progress at any horse track within forty miles.

(c) In order to promote live racing of both horses and greyhounds throughout the state of Colorado, the commission, when determining the number and kind of race meets held and the dates and times of races held at such race meets, may take into consideration the interests of the racing industry as a whole throughout the state but shall give particular consideration to the racing dates and times requested by or assigned to the following:

(I) In the case of greyhound tracks, other greyhound tracks in the same circuit;
(II) In the case of class A tracks, other class A tracks; and

(III) In the case of class B tracks, other class B tracks.

(b) The commission shall determine, consistent with all other provisions of this article, the total number of races conducted and performances held during any race meet.

(2) (a) For the operation of greyhound tracks, the state shall be divided into one north and one south circuit, which consist, respectively, of the areas north and south of a latitudinal line drawn through the location of the Douglas County courthouse in the town of Castle Rock as of June 6, 1991.

(b) The commission shall license greyhound tracks which are located in the north circuit for race meets of a duration of up to one hundred twenty consecutive days, unless the license applicant, in its application, requests nonconsecutive days or a shorter period. The commission shall license greyhound tracks which are located in the south circuit for race meets of a duration of up to one hundred eighty consecutive days, unless the license applicant, in its application, requests nonconsecutive days or a shorter period.

(c) Beginning January 1, 1992: Each greyhound track shall be licensed by the commission to conduct only one race meet in any twelve-month period. Upon approval by the commission, a licensed greyhound track shall be permitted to contract with another licensed greyhound track within the same circuit to conduct part or all of the race meet days granted it at such other greyhound track; except that, unless the transferring greyhound track operates a race meet, without any transfer of race days, at its home greyhound track during the twelve-month period immediately following the last race meet day so transferred, such transferred race dates in such following twelve-month period shall be assigned by the commission to the transferee greyhound track, in addition to the race meet dates of the transferee greyhound track which are otherwise authorized pursuant to this subsection (2), upon application by the transferee greyhound track for such race dates if the transferee greyhound track otherwise meets all requirements for conducting a greyhound race meet.

(d) The commission shall schedule race meets of greyhounds so that there is a race meet, but not more than one race meet, being conducted at a greyhound track in both the north and the south circuits at all times; except that race meets of greyhounds may be scheduled to run concurrently in the same circuit if the greyhound tracks running the concurrent meets are not closer to each other than one hundred miles.

(3) to (5) (Deleted by amendment, L. 91, p. 1504, 7, effective June 6, 1991.)

PART 7
TAXES AND FEES

12-60-701. [Formerly 12-60-109] License fees and Colorado-bred horse race requirement. (1) (a) Subject to the provisions of section 12-60-111 (1), for the privilege of conducting racing under a license issued under, and of operating an in-state simulcast facility pursuant to the provisions of, this article, a licensee for the racing of greyhounds and an operator of an in-state simulcast facility
which receives simulcast races of greyhounds shall pay to the Department of Revenue through the Division of Revenue five percent, and on and after July 1, 1994, four and one-half percent, of the gross receipts derived from pari-mutuel wagering during any such race meet or placed on such simulcast races.

(b) (Deleted by amendment, L. 91, p. 1509, 9, effective June 6, 1991.)

(2) (a) (I) For the privilege of conducting racing under a license issued under, and of operating an in-state simulcast facility pursuant to the provisions of, this article, a licensee for the racing of horses and an operator of an in-state simulcast facility which receives simulcast races of horses shall pay to the Department of Revenue through the Division of Revenue three-fourths of one percent of the gross receipts of the pari-mutuel wagering at any such race meet or placed on such simulcast races; except that a licensee for the racing of horses at a class B track race meet shall pay to the Department of Revenue through the Division of Revenue the greater of the actual cost of regulation of such race meet by the commission, up to a maximum of three thousand dollars per race day, or three-fourths of one percent of the gross receipts of the pari-mutuel wagering at any such race meet.

(II) In addition to the amount paid to the Department of Revenue through the Division in subparagraph (I) of this paragraph (a), a licensee for the racing of horses and an operator of an in-state simulcast facility which receives simulcast races of horses shall pay to Colorado State University for allocation to its school of veterinary medicine one-fourth of one percent of the gross receipts of all pari-mutuel wagering, except on win, place, or show, at such horse race meet or placed on such simulcast races, to be used for racing-related equine research. To receive research funding under this subparagraph (II), an institution or individual must describe and report to the commission on all projects upon completion.

(b) In addition to any moneys to be paid pursuant to paragraph (a) of this subsection (2), a licensee for the racing of horses and an operator of an in-state simulcast facility which receives simulcast races of horses shall pay to the Department of Revenue through the Division one-half of one percent of the gross receipts of pari-mutuel wagering on win, place, and show and one and one-half percent of the gross receipts from all other pari-mutuel wagering at any such race meet or placed on such simulcast races for the horse breeders' and owners' awards and supplemental purse fund established in section 12-60-704.

(c) The operator of a simulcast facility which receives simulcast races of horses shall retain five percent of the gross receipts of pari-mutuel wagering placed on such simulcast races at that facility, to be used to cover the particular expenses incurred in operating a simulcast facility.

(d) (Deleted by amendment, L. 91, p. 1509, 9, effective June 6, 1991.)

(3) For the purpose of encouraging the breeding, within the state, of race horses registered within their breeds, at least one race of each day's live horse race meet shall consist exclusively of Colorado-bred horses, if Colorado-bred horses are available. This requirement shall not apply to an in-state simulcast facility which is
a horse track and which receives simulcast races of horses on any given race meet day but does not conduct a live horse race on such day.

12-60-702. [Formerly 12-60-111] Unlawful to wager, exception - excess - taxes. (1) (a) It is unlawful to conduct pool selling or bookmaking, or to circulate handbooks, or to bet or wager on any race meet licensed under the provisions of this article other than by the pari-mutuel method.

(b) It is unlawful for any licensee for the racing of greyhounds or any operator of an in-state simulcast facility which receives simulcast races of greyhounds to take more than eighteen percent, and on and after July 1, 1994, seventeen and one-half percent, of the gross receipts of any pari-mutuel wagering on such races or simulcast races or for a licensee for the racing of horses or an operator of an in-state simulcast facility which receives simulcast races of horses to take more than eighteen and one-half percent of the gross receipts on win, place, and show wagering on such races or simulcast races or more than twenty-five percent of the gross receipts from all other pari-mutuel wagering on such races or simulcast races.

(c) Each licensee for the racing of horses shall pay as purses for the races in any horse race meet conducted at its in-state host track fifty percent of the gross receipts the breakage attributable thereto, and fifty percent of the track's commission. For purposes of this paragraph (c), the track's commission means the maximum allowable percentage which may be taken, pursuant to paragraph (b) of this subsection (1), by a licensee for the racing of horses from the gross receipts from all pari-mutuel wagering placed on such races at the in-state host track, after deduction of the amounts specified in sections 12-60-109 (2) (a) and (2) (b) 12-60-701 (2) (a) and (2) (b) and 12-60-119 (2) (a).

(d) For each horse race meet it conducts, a licensee shall file with its license application with the commission an agreement between such licensee and the organization which represents the majority of the owners of horses participating at such race meet. Such agreement shall specify the purse structure which shall apply to the races conducted at such horse race meet, including minimum purses per race and any conditions relating to overpayments or underpayments.

(e) Each licensee for the racing of greyhounds shall pay on a weekly basis as purses for the races in any greyhound race meet conducted at its in-state host track four percent of the gross receipts from all pari-mutuel wagering on such races. Each operator of an in-state simulcast facility which receives simulcast races of horses or greyhounds shall pay to one or more purse funds, where applicable, and to such in-state or out-of-state tracks and simulcast facilities, as described in the simulcast agreement filed with the commission, such percentages of the gross pari-mutuel wagering on such simulcast races, after deduction of the applicable amounts specified in subsection (2) (b) of this section, in section 12-60-109 (1) (a), (2) (a), (2) (b), and (2) (c), 12-60-701 (1) (a), (2) (a), (2) (b), and (2) (c), and in section 12-60-119 (2) (a) 12-60-704 (2) (a), as shall be specified in such simulcast agreement.

(f) Horse purse funds and greyhound purse funds payable by a licensee or an operator pursuant to this section shall be retained by such licensee or operator in a
trust account in a commercial bank located in Colorado until such date as the purse funds are paid to the horse or greyhound owners or to the host track for payment to the horse or greyhound owners; except that:

(I) The amount in any such trust account shall not exceed the maximum amount of such accounts which is insured in full by the federal deposit insurance corporation; AND

(II) SUBJECT TO PRIOR APPROVAL BY THE COMMISSION, THE OPERATOR OF A HORSE TRACK MAY WITHDRAW MONEYS FROM SUCH TRUST ACCOUNT TO MAKE UP FOR SHORTFALLS IN THE AMOUNTS OF REVENUE DERIVED FROM OTHER SOURCES WHICH WERE REASONABLY ANTICIPATED TO COVER PAYMENTS MADE ON PURSES DURING A LICENSED RACE MEET HELD AT SUCH TRACK IN THE CURRENT YEAR OR A PRIOR YEAR.

(g) It is unlawful for any licensee to compute breaks in the pari-mutuel system other than at ten cents IN EXCESS OF TEN CENTS. If, during any race meet conducted under this law, there are underpayments of the amount actually due to the wagerers, the amount of the excess of such underpayments over and above overpayments to wagerers, at the expiration of thirty days from the end of said meet, shall revert and belong to the state of Colorado and be paid to the commission DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE THROUGH THE DIVISION and become a part of its funds, and it shall not be retained by the licensee under whose license such race meet was held.

(h) Fifty percent of the breakage at any horse race meet shall be retained by the licensee under whose license such horse race meet was held and the remainder shall be paid as purses for the races conducted at such race meet. The breakage at any greyhound race meet shall be retained by the licensee under whose license such greyhound race meet was held. The breakage on any simulcast race of horses or greyhounds received by an in-state simulcast facility shall be retained by the operator of such in-state simulcast facility; except that, in the case of simulcast races of horses received from an in-state host track, fifty percent of the breakage shall be paid to the licensee of such in-state host track within sixty days after the end of the race meet from which such simulcast race was broadcast and the remainder shall be paid as purses for the races conducted at such in-state host track.

(i) The proceeds derived from all unclaimed pari-mutuel tickets for each greyhound race meet shall be retained by the licensee under whose license such greyhound race meet was held and, after a period of one year following the end of such race meet, shall revert and belong to such licensee and shall be used by the licensee for capital improvements to the track at which the race meet was held.

(j) The proceeds derived from all unclaimed pari-mutuel tickets for each simulcast race of greyhounds received by an in-state simulcast facility shall be retained by the operator of such simulcast facility and, after a period of one year following such simulcast race, shall revert and belong to such operator; except that, in the case of simulcast races received from an in-state host track, such proceeds shall be paid to the licensee of such in-state host track within sixty days after the end of the race meet from which the simulcast race was broadcast and, after a period of one year following the end of such race meet, shall revert and belong to such licensee and shall be used by the licensee for capital improvements to the track at which the race meet was held.
(2) (a) In the event the federal government or any federal governmental agency imposes a levy on said licensee by a tax on the money so wagered and upon and against its receipts, the licensee may collect, in addition to the percentage and breaks allowed in this section, the amount of the tax so levied.

(b) The tax and breaks and license fee provided for in this article shall be in lieu of all other license fees and privilege taxes or charges by the state of Colorado or any county, city, town, or other municipality or taxing body for the privilege of conducting any race meet provided for in this article and licensed by the authority of this article; except that any county, city, town, or other municipality or taxing body which imposed any fee, tax, or charge prior to July 1, 1982, on the money so wagered, or upon and against the licensee's receipts, or for the privilege of conducting any race meet provided for and licensed by authority of this article shall have the authority to amend, repeal and reenact, or repeal any such fee, tax, or charge and impose a new or different fee or tax on the money so wagered, or upon and against the licensee's receipts, or for the privilege of conducting any race meet provided for and licensed by authority of this article, and no provision of this article shall affect the authority of such county, city, town, or other municipality or taxing body with respect to such fees or taxes unless such provision specifically refers to this paragraph (b). NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION, IT IS LAWFUL FOR THE LICENSEE TO TAKE SUCH FEE OR TAX FROM THE GROSS RECEIPTS ON PARI-MUTUEL WAGERING; AND IN SUCH CASES THE LICENSEE SHALL PAY THE FEE OR TAX DIRECTLY TO THE COUNTY, CITY, TOWN, OR OTHER MUNICIPALITY OR TAXING BODY.

(3) Unless expressly authorized by this article, no person may act for consideration as an agent or courier for another person for the purpose of placing wagers or cashing or redeeming winning pari-mutuel tickets. In addition to the remedies otherwise provided for violations of this article, the commission may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for an order enjoining a violation of this subsection (3).

12-60-703. [Formerly 12-60-111.5] Pari-mutuel pools for race meets and simulcast races. (1) The pari-mutuel pool for a horse race meet and for simulcast races of such race meet shall be an intrastate common pool; except that, if such simulcast races are received by an out-of-state simulcast facility, the pari-mutuel pool may be an interstate common pool, and, in that case, it shall be operated by the in-state host track conducting such horse race meet.

(2) The pari-mutuel pool for a greyhound race meet and for simulcast races of such race meet shall be an intrastate common pool; except that, if such simulcast races are received by an out-of-state simulcast facility, the pari-mutuel pool may be an interstate common pool, and, in that case, it shall be operated by the in-state host track conducting such greyhound race meet.

(3) An in-state simulcast facility receiving simulcast races from an out-of-state host track may participate either in a pari-mutuel pool into which only the pari-mutuel wagers on such simulcast races which are placed at such in-state simulcast facility are taken or in an interstate common pool. The commission shall permit an operator of an in-state simulcast facility participating in an interstate common pool to adopt the takeout percentage of the out-of-state host track for such interstate common pool, so long as such in-state simulcast facility's takeout does not exceed twenty percent of win, place, and show wagering and twenty-five percent of all other pari-mutuel
wagering on such simulcast races.

12-60-704. [Formerly 12-60-119] Creation of horse breeders' and owners' awards and supplemental purse fund - awards - advisory committee - sunset review. (1) In order to promote and improve the quality of horse racing in Colorado, there is hereby created a fund, to be known as the horse breeders' and owners' awards and supplemental purse fund, REFERRED TO IN THIS SECTION AS THE "FUND", which shall consist of moneys deposited thereto by the commission for the purposes of this section, to be held by the state treasurer, which moneys are hereby appropriated to be paid out as provided in this section and by rule or regulation RULES of the commission. Such rules or regulations shall provide for an administrative fee to be paid to the Colorado horse breeder associations for registering and maintaining breeding records for the administration of the fund, provided for in this section. Such fees shall not exceed five percent of the total funds MONEYS generated by the unclaimed pari-mutuel tickets and such funds MONEYS provided by section 12-60-109 (2) (b) and (2) (d) 12-60-701 (2) (b).

(2) (a) Those funds MONEYS derived pursuant to section 12-60-109 (2) (b) 12-60-701 (2) (b) shall be paid daily to the commission DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE THROUGH THE DIVISION for the horse breeders and owners awards and supplemental purse fund. In addition, the proceeds derived from all unclaimed pari-mutuel tickets for each horse race meet and for each simulcast race of horses received by an in-state simulcast facility shall be paid to the commission DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE THROUGH THE DIVISION for the horse breeders and owners awards and supplemental purse fund after a period of one year following the end of such race meet.

(b) Repealed, L. 83, p. 586, 2, effective July 1, 1983.

(3) (a) There is hereby created an advisory committee of nine persons to advise the commission relative to the breeders', owners', and stallion awards and supplemental purses. The committee shall be composed of members of the Colorado horse breeder associations, including one breeder of Arabians, the Colorado fair circuit associations, two members of the betting public, and other Colorado licensed horse racetracks. Committee members shall serve without compensation. Appointments shall be made by the commission, and terms of office shall be for three years, with the initial appointments to be made so that three members shall serve for three years, three members shall serve for two years, and three members shall serve for one year. Vacancies, when occurring, shall be filled by the commission for the remainder of the term of any said vacancy.

(b) (I) This subsection (3) is repealed, effective July 1, 1994.

(II) Prior to said repeal, the advisory committee shall be reviewed as provided for in section 2-3-1203, C.R.S.

(4) NOTWITHSTANDING SECTION 24-30-204, C.R.S., THE COMMISSION MAY ESTABLISH BY RULE A PERIOD FOR DISTRIBUTION OF MONEYS IN THE FUND WHICH IS NOT CONSISTENT WITH THE STATE'S GENERAL FISCAL-YEAR PERIOD.

12-60-705. [Formerly 12-60-110] Payments to state - disposition. (1) Except as otherwise provided in sections 12-60-109, 12-60-111 (1), and 12-60-119,
12-60-701, 12-60-702 (1), and 12-60-704, all sums referred to in sections 12-60-109, 12-60-111 (1), and 12-60-119, shall be paid daily to the commission 12-60-701, 12-60-702 (1), and 12-60-704, including all sums collected for license fees and fines pursuant to the provisions of this article, SHALL BE PAID TO THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE THROUGH THE DIVISION ON THE BUSINESS DAY FOLLOWING THE DAY OF EACH PERFORMANCE, AND THE LICENSEE SHALL MAKE A RETURN AS REQUIRED BY RULES OF THE COMMISSION.

(2) All said moneys collected by the commission DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE THROUGH THE DIVISION shall, on the next business day following the receipt thereof, be transmitted to the state treasurer, who shall credit the same to the general fund of the state or to the horse breeders’ and owners’ awards and supplemental purse fund as provided in section 12-60-119 12-60-704. THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE SHALL HAVE ALL THE POWERS, RIGHTS, AND DUTIES PROVIDED IN ARTICLE 21 OF TITLE 39, C.R.S., TO CARRY OUT SUCH COLLECTION.

(3) The general assembly shall annually appropriate from the general fund the necessary costs of administration of the DIVISION AND THE commission which shall be based upon estimates of such costs submitted by the commission DIVISION to the office of state planning and budgeting in accordance with part 3 of article 37 of title 24, C.R.S. It is recognized that the racing and pari-mutuel wagering industry must be administered and funded on an industry-wide basis and that the license and other fees collected from any single aspect of the industry will not necessarily be equal to the costs of the DIVISION’S OR commission’s administration of that aspect of the industry. In making its annual appropriation from the general fund for the necessary costs of administration of the DIVISION AND THE commission, the general assembly shall consider the overall costs of the DIVISION AND commission and not require that any aspect of the DIVISION’S AND commission’s activities be self-funded.

(4) ANY PERSON WHO FAILS TO MAKE A RETURN OR PAY ANY TAX REQUIRED UNDER THIS ARTICLE SHALL BE LIABLE FOR PENALTIES AND INTEREST AS FOLLOWS:

(a) A PENALTY OF THE GREATER OF FIFTEEN DOLLARS FOR EACH FAILURE TO MAKE A RETURN AND FOR EACH FAILURE TO PAY A TAX WHEN DUE, OR TEN PERCENT THEREOF PLUS ONE-HALF PERCENT PER MONTH FROM THE DATE WHEN DUE, NOT EXCEEDING EIGHTEEN PERCENT, IN THE AGGREGATE; AND

(b) INTEREST ON ANY TAX DUE, FROM THE DATE DUE, AT THE RATE SPECIFIED IN SECTION 39-21-110.5, C.R.S.

12-60-706. [Formerly 12-60-120] Agreement of this state. In the event any county or municipality development revenue bonds are issued in reliance on the provisions of this article, the state of Colorado does hereby covenant and agree with the holders of any such bonds that the state will not limit or alter the rights or powers of the owners of such bonds or to repeal, amend, or otherwise directly or indirectly modify this article or the effect thereof as to the assessments, fees, charges, pledged revenues, or any combination thereof in such a manner as to impair adversely any such outstanding bonds, until all such bonds have been paid and discharged in full or provision for their payment and redemption has been fully made. Such covenant and agreement may be included in any agreement with the holders of such bonds.
12-60-801. [Formerly 12-60-115] Criminal penalties. (1) Except as provided in section 12-60-601, any person who commits any of the acts enumerated in section 12-60-507 (1) other than those which also constitute crimes under the "Colorado Criminal Code", title 18, C.R.S., commits a class 2 misdemeanor and shall be punished as provided in section 18-1-109, C.R.S.

(2) Any person who violates any rule of the commission promulgated under the authority granted in this article, other than those which also constitute crimes under the "Colorado Criminal Code", title 18, C.R.S., commits a class 2 petty offense and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not more than one hundred dollars.

(3) The penalties set forth in this section are cumulative and do not preclude the imposition of civil or administrative penalties, sanctions, actions against licenses or registrations, or any other penalties otherwise authorized.

12-60-802. [Formerly 12-60-113] Cancellation of license. (1) In case of a willful violation of this article by a person holding a license, the commission, upon conviction of the offender, may cancel his license, and such cancellation shall operate as a forfeiture of all rights and privileges granted by the commission and of all sums of money paid to the department of revenue through the division by the offender, and the action of the commission in this respect shall be final.

(2) It is a violation of this law for any person under the age of eighteen years to wager or offer to wager at any licensed racecourse.

12-60-803. [Formerly 12-60-113.5] Exclusion from licensed premises. The commission may exclude from any and all licensed premises any person who has been convicted of a felony under the laws of this or any other state or of the United States, subject to the provisions of section 24-5-101, C.R.S. Any person so excluded by the commission has a right to a hearing before the commission as to the basis of such exclusion, subject to the provisions of section 24-4-104, C.R.S. No such person shall enter or remain upon premises owned by any licensee conducting a race meet or operating a simulcast facility under the jurisdiction of the commission, and all such persons, upon discovery or recognition, shall be forthwith excluded or ejected from such premises. Any person so ejected or excluded from the premises of any licensee shall be denied admission to its premises and the premises of all other licensees of the commission until permission for entering has thereafter been obtained from the commission. The commission may also exclude any person from such licensed premises who willfully violates any of the provisions of this article or any rule or regulation issued by the commission. The rules of the commission shall not be altered or amended so as to permit wagering at any licensed racecourse by any person under the age of eighteen years.
12-60-901. [Formerly 12-60-121] Repeal of article - review of functions. This article is repealed, effective July 1, 1993. Prior to such repeal, the committee division and its licensing functions shall be reviewed as provided for in section 24-34-104, C.R.S.

SECTION 2. 13-4-102 (2), Colorado Revised Statutes, 1987 Repl. Vol., as amended, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW PARAGRAPH to read:

13-4-102. Jurisdiction. (2) The court of appeals shall have initial jurisdiction to:

(ee) Review final actions and orders appropriate for judicial review of the Colorado Racing Commission, as provided in section 12-60-507 (3), C.R.S.

SECTION 3. 2-3-1203 (3) (g) (XV), Colorado Revised Statutes, 1980 Repl. Vol., as amended, is amended to read:

2-3-1203. Sunset review of advisory committees. (3) The following dates are the dates for which the statutory authorization for the designated advisory committees is scheduled for repeal:

(g) July 1, 1994:

(XV) The breeders', owners', and stallion awards and supplemental purses advisory committee established pursuant to section 12-60-119 (3) (a) 12-60-704 (3) (a).

SECTION 4. 11-35-101 (1), Colorado Revised Statutes, 1987 Repl. Vol., as amended, is amended to read:

11-35-101. Alternatives to surety bonds permitted - requirements. (1) The requirement of a surety bond as a condition to licensure or authority to conduct business or perform duties in this state provided in sections 10-2-104 (1) (g), 10-2-111 (1) and (3), 10-2-207 (8) (a) and (8) (b) (II), 12-6-111, 12-6-112, 12-6-112.2, 12-11-101 (1) (d), 12-11-104, 12-11-106, 12-14-124 (1), 12-53-103 (2) (e) (I), 12-59-115 (1), 12-60-112 (2) and (2.5) (b), 12-60-509 (2.5) (b), 33-4-101 (1), 33-12-104 (1), 35-33-403 (3), 35-55-104 (1), 37-91-107 (2) and (3), 38-29-119 (2), 38-39-102 (3) (b), 39-21-105 (4), 39-27-104 (2) (a), (2.5) (a), and (2.5) (b), 39-27-204 (4) (a), (4.5), and (6), 39-28-105 (1), 42-6-113 (2), and 42-7-301 (6), C.R.S., may be satisfied by a savings account or deposit in or a certificate of deposit issued by a state or national bank doing business in this state or by a savings account or deposit in or a certificate of deposit issued by a state or federal savings and loan association doing business in this state. Such savings account, deposit, or certificate of deposit shall be in the amount specified by statute, if any, and shall be assigned to the appropriate state agency for the use of the people of the state of Colorado. The aggregate liability of the bank or savings and loan association shall in no event exceed the amount of the deposit. For the purposes of the sections referred to in this section, "bond" includes the savings account, deposit, or certificate of deposit authorized by this section.
SECTION 5. 18-1-901 (3) (I) (IV), Colorado Revised Statutes, 1986 Repl. Vol., as amended, is amended to read:

18-1-901. Definitions. (3) (I) (IV) “Peace officer, level III,” means a chief security officer for the general assembly pursuant to section 2-2-402, C.R.S., a coroner, the commissioner of agriculture or his designee acting under the “Farm Products Act” or the “Commodity Warehouse Act” pursuant to sections 12-16-114 and 12-16-210, C.R.S., or under the “Animal Protection Act” pursuant to section 35-42-107 (4), C.R.S., a probation officer, a juvenile probation officer pursuant to section 19-2-1002, C.R.S., a brand inspector pursuant to section 35-53-128, C.R.S., an employee of a district attorney’s office assigned to administer an offender diversion program, a student loan investigator, an officer or member of the Colorado national guard while acting under call of the governor in cases of emergency or civil disorder, a member of the public utilities commission, AN INVESTIGATOR FOR THE DIVISION OF RACING EVENTS PURSUANT TO SECTION 12-60-203, C.R.S., port of entry personnel acting as peace officers pursuant to section 42-8-104, C.R.S., toll road owners acting as peace officers under section 43-3-304, C.R.S., or any other person designated as a peace officer unless otherwise specified in this section as a level I, level Ia, level II, or level IIIa peace officer. “Peace officer, level III,” has the authority to enforce all the laws of the state of Colorado while acting within the scope of his authority and in the performance of his duties.

SECTION 6. 24-1-117 (4), Colorado Revised Statutes, 1988 Repl. Vol., as amended, is amended to read:

24-1-117. Department of revenue - creation. (4) (a) The department of revenue shall consist of the following divisions:

(I) Division of enforcement;

(II) Motor vehicle division;

(III) Ports of entry division;

(IV) Liquor enforcement division;

(V) State lottery division;

(VI) Division of racing events, including the Colorado racing commission;

(VII) Division of gaming, including the Colorado limited gaming control commission; and

(VIII) Such other divisions, sections, and units as the executive director of the department of revenue may create pursuant to section 24-35-103.

(b) The lottery division shall be headquartered in the city of Pueblo in facilities provided at lottery division expense at a location to be determined by the department of revenue. After 1992, the general assembly will review whether such headquarters should remain in the city of Pueblo in facilities provided at lottery division expense.
at a location to be determined by the department of revenue.

**SECTION 7.** 24-1-122 (2) (f), Colorado Revised Statutes, 1988 Repl. Vol., is repealed as follows:

24-1-122. Department of regulatory agencies - creation. (2) The department of regulatory agencies shall consist of the following divisions:

(f) Division of racing events, the head of which shall be the director of the division of racing events. The Colorado racing commission, the division of racing events, and the office of the director of the division of racing events, created by article 60 of title 12, C.R.S., and their powers, duties, and functions are transferred by a type 1 transfer to the department of regulatory agencies as the division of racing events.

**SECTION 8.** 24-34-104 (22) (a) (II), Colorado Revised Statutes, 1988 Repl. Vol., is repealed as follows:

24-34-104. General assembly review of regulatory agencies and functions for termination, continuation, or reestablishment. (22) (a) The following divisions in the department of regulatory agencies shall terminate on July 1, 1993:

(II) The division of racing events, including the Colorado racing commission, created by article 60 of title 12, C.R.S.;

**SECTION 9.** 24-34-104 (28), Colorado Revised Statutes, 1988 Repl. Vol., as amended, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW PARAGRAPH to read:

24-34-104. General assembly review of regulatory agencies and functions for termination, continuation, or reestablishment. (28) (c) The following division in the department of revenue shall terminate on July 1, 1999: The division of racing events, including the Colorado racing commission, created by article 60 of title 12, C.R.S.

**SECTION 10.** 24-34-104.4 (1) (c), Colorado Revised Statutes, 1988 Repl. Vol., is repealed as follows:

24-34-104.4. Excise tax on fees. (1) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary except as provided in sections 12-38.1-104 and 12-38.1-109, there is imposed, and the executive director of the department of regulatory agencies shall collect, an excise tax of nine dollars upon the payment of the following fees:

(c) Within the division of racing events, fees for occupational licenses authorized pursuant to section 12-60-105, C.R.S.;

**SECTION 11.** 35-65-116, Colorado Revised Statutes, 1984 Repl. Vol., is amended to read:

35-65-116. Race meets - dates - licenses - fees. (1) The board is authorized to obtain a license to conduct horse race meets at the Colorado state fair and industrial exposition pursuant to article 60 of title 12, C.R.S. For the purposes of this section, the limitations in section 12-60-108 12-60-511, C.R.S., shall not apply, and such
horse race meets shall be conducted as approved by the Colorado racing commission at said Colorado state fair and industrial exposition during its duration.

(2) In lieu of obtaining a license to conduct a horse race meet, the board is authorized to contract for the conduct of horse race meets at the Colorado state fair and industrial exposition with a private, nonprofit person licensed to conduct horse race meets within forty miles of the state fair grounds, subject to authorization by the Colorado racing commission pursuant to section 12-60-108 12-60-511, C.R.S. The meet and the race days of the meet conducted at the Colorado state fair and industrial exposition shall be in addition to the number of meets and race days permitted the licensee pursuant to section 12-60-107 12-60-603, C.R.S.

SECTION 12. 38-13-108.8, Colorado Revised Statutes, 1982 Repl. Vol., as amended, is amended to read:

38-13-108.8. Property held by racetracks - inapplicability. This article shall not apply to any intangible unclaimed property held by a racetrack, as that term is defined in section 12-60-101 (11) 12-60-102 (26), C.R.S.


39-21-101. Definitions. (2) "Executive director" or "executive director of the department of revenue" means the executive director of the department of revenue and includes the deputy director of revenue, as appointed in accordance with article 35 of title 24, C.R.S., 1973, whenever the executive director specifically authorizes the deputy director to act on his behalf.

SECTION 14. 39-21-102 (2), Colorado Revised Statutes, 1982 Repl. Vol., as amended, is amended to read:

39-21-102. Scope. (2) The provisions of this article apply to the taxes imposed pursuant to articles 46, 47, AND 60 of title 12, C.R.S., but only to the extent that the provisions of this article are not inconsistent with the provisions of articles 46, 47, AND 60 of title 12, C.R.S.

SECTION 15. Adjustments to the 1993 long bill. For the implementation of this act, appropriations made in the annual general appropriation act to the department of revenue for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1993, shall be adjusted as follows:

(a) Of the appropriations made to the office of executive director, the general fund appropriation for operating expenses is increased by twenty-seven thousand five hundred forty-four dollars ($27,544), the general fund appropriation for group health and life is increased by sixty-eight thousand seven hundred sixty-eight dollars ($68,768), the general fund appropriation for short-term disability is increased by two thousand five hundred nine dollars ($2,509), the general fund appropriation for workers' compensation is increased by one thousand four hundred thirty-one dollars ($1,431), the general fund appropriation for payment to legal services is increased by forty-one thousand two hundred twenty-five dollars ($41,225), the general fund appropriation for payment to risk management and property funds is increased by nine hundred ninety-one dollars ($991), the general fund appropriation for vehicle
lease payments is increased by twenty thousand three hundred eighty-eight dollars ($20,388), the general fund appropriation for leased space is increased by forty-eight thousand three hundred thirty-four dollars ($48,334).

(b) Of the appropriations made to the information and support services division, the general fund appropriation for program costs shall be increased by one hundred fifteen thousand six hundred twenty-four dollars ($115,624), and the FTE is increased by two and one-half (2.5).

(c) Of the appropriations made to the division of racing events, the general fund appropriation for personal services and any corresponding FTE are eliminated, the general fund appropriation for operating expenses is eliminated, the general fund appropriation for travel is increased by eleven thousand eight hundred forty-four dollars ($11,844), the general fund appropriation for laboratory services is eliminated, the general fund appropriation for commission meeting costs is eliminated, the general fund appropriation for commission meeting travel is eliminated, the general fund appropriation for horse racing days is eliminated, the general fund appropriation for greyhound race programs is eliminated, and the general fund appropriation for simulcasting is eliminated. In addition, a new line item, program costs, is added with a general fund appropriation of one million eight hundred forty-four thousand four hundred twenty-four dollars ($1,844,424) and 37.2 FTE, and a new line item, fair circuit, is added with a general fund appropriation of forty-four thousand five hundred eighty-four dollars ($44,584) and 1.2 FTE.

SECTION 16. Effective date. This act shall take effect July 1, 1993.

SECTION 17. 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.

Approved: June 6, 1993