SENATE BILL 13-179
BY SENATOR(S) Tochtrop;
also REPRESENTATIVE(S) Williams.

AN ACT

CONCERNING THE AUTHORITY TO CONTINUE TO SIMULCAST GREYHOUND RACES AFTER JUNE 30, 2014.

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

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-60-602, amend (5) (a) (III) as follows:

12-60-602. Simulcast facilities and simulcast races - unlawful act - repeal.
(5) (a) (III) An in-state simulcast facility that is not located on the premises of a greyhound track conducting a live race meet may receive a broadcast signal of simulcast greyhound races and conduct pari-mutuel wagering on the broadcast signal of such greyhound races conducted at an out-of-state host track only through an in-state simulcast facility that is located on the premises of a greyhound track conducting a live race meet. If there is no greyhound track conducting a live race meet, an in-state simulcast facility may, to and including June 30, 2016, and subject to the commission's approval, receive the broadcast signal of greyhounds from an out-of-state host track and conduct pari-mutuel wagering on such signal through an in-state simulcast facility located on the premises of a class B track that has conducted, or is scheduled to conduct during the next twelve months, a live race meet of horses of at least the duration required for a class B track.

SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-60-702, amend (1) (e) (II) as follows:

12-60-702. Unlawful to wager - exception - excess - taxes - special provisions for simulcast races. (1) (e) (II) Each operator of an in-state simulcast facility that receives simulcast races of horses or greyhounds shall pay to purse funds for the racing of horses or greyhounds, respectively, depending on the animals represented
by the licensee providing each simulcast race, and to such in-state or out-of-state tracks and simulcast facilities as described in the simulcast agreement filed with the commission, such in-state or out-of-state host track or an in-state host track, paid during the current year or any previous year, and the applicable amounts specified in paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of this section, in section 12-60-701 (1), (2) (a), (2) (b), and (2) (c), and in section 12-60-704 (2), as shall be specified in such the simulcast agreement. In the case of pari-mutuel wagers on greyhound simulcast signals received by a class B track, the operator shall deposit the amounts payable pursuant to section 12-60-701 (2) (a) (II) (B) into a trust account for distribution, in accordance with rules of the commission, either as purses for live greyhound races in Colorado or, if there is no live greyhound racing in Colorado, to greyhound welfare and adoption organizations and other entities or organizations that promote or participate in greyhound racing or promote the welfare of racing greyhounds.

SECTION 3. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August 7, 2013, if adjournment sine die is on May 8, 2013); except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in November 2014 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

Approved: May 11, 2013