

By Representative Ritter

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to greyhound adoptions;
3 requiring dogracing permitholders to provide a
4 greyhound adoption booth at each dogracing
5 facility in the state; requiring that
6 information concerning the adoption of a
7 greyhound be made available to the public at
8 the facility; requiring the permitholder to
9 provide adoption information in racing programs
10 and identify greyhounds that will become
11 available for adoption; authorizing the
12 permitholder to hold an additional charity day
13 that is designated as "Greyhound Adopt-A-Pet
14 Day"; requiring that profits derived from the
15 charity day be used to fund activities
16 promoting the adoption of greyhounds; providing
17 an effective date.

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19 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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21 Section 1. Greyhound adoptions.--
22 (1) Each dogracing permitholder operating a dogracing
23 facility in this state shall provide for a greyhound adoption
24 booth to be located at the facility and operated during the
25 hours the facility is open to the public. The greyhound
26 adoption booth must be operated by personnel who are qualified
27 to provide information to the public concerning the adoption
28 of a greyhound. Information pamphlets and application forms
29 shall be provided to the public upon request. In addition, the
30 permitholder shall provide information concerning the adoption
31 of a greyhound in each race program and shall post adoption

1 information at conspicuous locations throughout the dogracing
2 facility. Any greyhound that is participating in a race and
3 that will be available for future adoption must be noted in
4 the race program. The permitholder shall allow greyhounds that
5 are available for adoption to be walked through the track
6 facility and to be identified as available for adoption.
7 (2) In addition to the charity days authorized under
8 s. 550.0351, Florida Statutes, a greyhound permitholder may
9 fund the greyhound adoption program by holding a charity
10 racing day designated as "Greyhound Adopt-A-Pet Day." All
11 profits derived from the operation of the charity day must be
12 used to fund activities at the racing facility which promote
13 the adoption of greyhounds.

14 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2001.

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17 SENATE SUMMARY

18 Requires greyhound racing permitholders to provide
19 information at each dogracing facility concerning the
20 adoption of a greyhound. Requires that the racing program
21 contain adoption information and identify greyhounds in a
22 race which will become available for adoption. Authorizes
23 the permitholder to hold an additional charity day,
24 designated as "Greyhound Adopt-A-Pet Day," and use the
25 profits from the charity day to fund activities promoting
26 greyhound adoptions.

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