

Amendment No.

CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

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1 Representative(s) Reagan offered the following:

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3 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

4 Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert:

5 Section 1. Subsections (7) through (17) of section

6 550.2415, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

7 550.2415 Racing of animals under certain conditions
8 prohibited; penalties; exceptions.--

9 ~~(7) All moneys recovered for violations of this section
10 shall be kept in a separate fund to be deposited into the Pari-
11 mutuel Wagering Trust Fund and shall be used for research
12 relating to the medication of racing animals. Such recovered
13 moneys shall be supervised and used by the division to contract
14 with a reputable college or school of veterinary medicine or its
15 designee in accordance with this subsection.~~

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16 ~~(7)(8)~~ Under no circumstances may any medication be
17 administered closer than 24 hours prior to the officially
18 scheduled post time of a race except as provided for in this
19 section.

20 (a) The division shall adopt rules setting conditions for
21 the use of furosemide to treat exercise-induced pulmonary
22 hemorrhage.

23 (b) The division shall adopt rules setting conditions for
24 the use of prednisolone sodium succinate, but under no
25 circumstances may furosemide or prednisolone sodium succinate be
26 administered closer than 4 hours prior to the officially
27 scheduled post time for the race.

28 (c) The division shall adopt rules setting conditions for
29 the use of phenylbutazone and synthetic corticosteroids; in no
30 case, except as provided in paragraph (b), shall these
31 substances be given closer than 24 hours prior to the officially
32 scheduled post time of a race. Oral corticosteroids are
33 prohibited except when prescribed by a licensed veterinarian and
34 reported to the division on forms prescribed by the division.

35 (d) Nothing in this section shall be interpreted to
36 prohibit the use of vitamins, minerals, or naturally occurring
37 substances so long as none exceeds the normal physiological
38 concentration in a race-day ~~race-day~~ specimen.

39 (e) The division may, by rule, establish acceptable levels
40 of permitted medications and shall select the appropriate
41 biological specimens by which the administration of permitted
42 medication is monitored.

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43 ~~(8)~~(9)(a) Under no circumstances may any medication be
44 administered within 24 hours before the officially scheduled
45 post time of the race except as provided in this section.

46 (b) As an exception to this section, if the division first
47 determines that the use of furosemide, phenylbutazone, or
48 prednisolone sodium succinate in horses is in the best interest
49 of racing, the division may adopt rules allowing such use. Any
50 rules allowing the use of furosemide, phenylbutazone, or
51 prednisolone sodium succinate in racing must set the conditions
52 for such use. Under no circumstances may a rule be adopted which
53 allows the administration of furosemide or prednisolone sodium
54 succinate within 4 hours before the officially scheduled post
55 time for the race. Under no circumstances may a rule be adopted
56 which allows the administration of phenylbutazone or any other
57 synthetic corticosteroid within 24 hours before the officially
58 scheduled post time for the race. Any administration of
59 synthetic corticosteroids is limited to parenteral routes. Oral
60 administration of synthetic corticosteroids is expressly
61 prohibited. If this paragraph is unconstitutional, it is
62 severable from the remainder of this section.

63 (c) The division shall, by rule, establish acceptable
64 levels of permitted medications and shall select the appropriate
65 biological specimen by which the administration of permitted
66 medications is monitored.

67 ~~(9)~~(10)(a) The division may conduct a postmortem
68 examination of any animal that is injured at a permitted
69 racetrack while in training or in competition and that
70 subsequently expires or is destroyed. The division may conduct a
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71 | postmortem examination of any animal that expires while housed
72 | at a permitted racetrack, association compound, or licensed
73 | kennel or farm. Trainers and owners shall be requested to comply
74 | with this paragraph as a condition of licensure.

75 | (b) The division may take possession of the animal upon
76 | death for postmortem examination. The division may submit blood,
77 | urine, other bodily fluid specimens, or other tissue specimens
78 | collected during a postmortem examination for testing by the
79 | division laboratory or its designee. Upon completion of the
80 | postmortem examination, the carcass must be returned to the
81 | owner or disposed of at the owner's option.

82 | (10)~~(11)~~ The presence of a prohibited substance in an
83 | animal, found by the division laboratory in a bodily fluid
84 | specimen collected during the postmortem examination of the
85 | animal, which breaks down during a race constitutes a violation
86 | of this section.

87 | (11)~~(12)~~ The cost of postmortem examinations, testing, and
88 | disposal must be borne by the division.

89 | (12)~~(13)~~ The division shall adopt rules to implement this
90 | section. The rules may include a classification system for
91 | prohibited substances and a corresponding penalty schedule for
92 | violations.

93 | (13)~~(14)~~ Except as specifically modified by statute or by
94 | rules of the division, the Uniform Classification Guidelines for
95 | Foreign Substances, revised February 14, 1995, as promulgated by
96 | the Association of Racing Commissioners International, Inc., is
97 | hereby adopted by reference as the uniform classification system
98 | for class IV and V medications.

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99 (14)~~(15)~~ The division shall utilize only the thin layer
100 chromatography (TLC) screening process to test for the presence
101 of class IV and V medications in samples taken from racehorses
102 except when thresholds of a class IV or class V medication have
103 been established and are enforced by rule. Once a sample has
104 been identified as suspicious for a class IV or class V
105 medication by the TLC screening process, the sample will be sent
106 for confirmation by and through additional testing methods. All
107 other medications not classified by rule as a class IV or class
108 V agent shall be subject to all forms of testing available to
109 the division.

110 ~~(16) The division shall implement by rule medication~~
111 ~~levels finalized by the University of Florida developed pursuant~~
112 ~~to the Pharmacokinetic and Clearance Study Agreement by and~~
113 ~~between the Florida Department of Business and Professional~~
114 ~~Regulation Division of Pari-mutuel Wagering and the University~~
115 ~~of Florida College of Veterinary Medicine. Research on a drug~~
116 ~~level is finalized when the University of Florida College of~~
117 ~~Veterinary Medicine provides written notification to the~~
118 ~~division that it has completed its research on a particular drug~~
119 ~~pursuant to the agreement and when the College of Veterinary~~
120 ~~Medicine provides a final report of its findings, conclusions,~~
121 ~~and recommendations to the division.~~

122 (15)~~(17)~~ The testing medium for phenylbutazone in horses
123 shall be serum, and the division may collect up to six full 15-
124 milliliter blood tubes for each horse being sampled.

125 Section 2. Section 1011.93, Florida Statutes, is repealed.

126 Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

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Remove the entire title and insert:

A bill to be entitled

An act relating to research funded by pari-mutuel
wagering; amending s. 550.2415, F.S.; deleting provisions
for certain moneys to be used for research relating to the
medication of racing animals; deleting provisions relating
to the Pharmacokinetic and Clearance Study Agreement by
and between the Department of Business and Professional
Regulation Division of Pari-mutuel Wagering and the
University of Florida College of Veterinary Medicine;
repealing s. 1011.93, F.S., relating to research and
development programs funded by moneys in the Pari-mutuel
Wagering Trust Fund; providing an effective date.