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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to jai alai; amending s. 550.054, F.S.; authorizing a jai alai permitholder to apply to the Division of Pari-Mutuel Wagering within the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to convert its jai alai permit to a permit to conduct greyhound racing under certain conditions; requiring the division to convert the jai alai permit to a permit to conduct greyhound racing under certain conditions; providing an effective date.

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

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Section 1. Subsection (14) is added to section 550.054, Florida Statutes, to read:

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550.054 Application for permit to conduct pari-mutuel wagering.--

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(14) Any holder of a jai alai permit that was not previously converted from any other class of permit may apply to the division to convert such permit to a permit to conduct greyhound racing, in lieu of jai alai, if the permitholder has not conducted jai alai games during a period of 10 years immediately preceding its application under this section. The division, upon application from the holder of a jai alai permit meeting all conditions of this section, shall convert the permit and shall issue to the permitholder a permit and license to conduct greyhound racing.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008.