

**By** the Committee on Regulated Industries; and Senators Young, Rouson, and Steube

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1                                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to steroid use in racing greyhounds;  
3           amending s. 550.2415, F.S.; providing that a positive  
4           test result for anabolic steroids in certain samples  
5           taken from a greyhound violates the prohibition on the  
6           racing of animals that are impermissibly medicated or  
7           determined to have a prohibited substance present;  
8           providing an effective date.

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

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12           Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section  
13   550.2415, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

14           550.2415 Racing of animals under certain conditions  
15   prohibited; penalties; exceptions.—

16           (1) (a) The racing of an animal that has been impermissibly  
17   medicated or determined to have a prohibited substance present  
18   is prohibited. It is a violation of this section for a person to  
19   impermissibly medicate an animal or for an animal to have a  
20   prohibited substance present resulting in a positive test for  
21   such medications or substances based on samples taken from the  
22   animal before or immediately after the racing of that animal. It  
23   is a violation of this section for a greyhound to have anabolic  
24   steroids present resulting in a positive test for such steroids  
25   based on samples taken from the greyhound before or immediately  
26   after the racing of that greyhound. Test results and the  
27   identities of the animals being tested and of their trainers and  
28   owners of record are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1)  
29   and from s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution for 10 days

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30 after testing of all samples collected on a particular day has  
31 been completed and any positive test results derived from such  
32 samples have been reported to the director of the division or  
33 administrative action has been commenced.

34 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017.