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LEGISLATIVE ACTION .

Senate Comm: RCS 04/17/2021 House

The Committee on Appropriations (Hutson) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment to Amendment (527596) (with title amendment)

Between lines 836 and 837

insert:

Section 25. Subsections (1), (4), and (5) of section 550.6308, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

550.6308 Limited intertrack wagering license.-In recognition of the economic importance of the thoroughbred breeding industry to this state, its positive impact on tourism,

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and of the importance of a permanent thoroughbred sales facility as a key focal point for the activities of the industry, a limited license to conduct intertrack wagering is established to ensure the continued viability and public interest in thoroughbred breeding in Florida.

16 (1) Upon application to the division on or before January 17 31 of each year, any person that is licensed to conduct public 18 sales of thoroughbred horses pursuant to s. 535.01 and $_{\tau}$ that has conducted at least 8 15 days of thoroughbred horse sales at a 19 20 permanent sales facility in this state for at least 3 21 consecutive years, and that has conducted at least 1 day of 22 nonwagering thoroughbred racing in this state, with a purse 23 structure of at least \$250,000 per year for 2 consecutive years 24 before such application, shall be issued a license, subject to 25 the conditions set forth in this section, to conduct intertrack 26 wagering at such a permanent sales facility during the following 27 periods:

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(a) Up to 21 days in connection with thoroughbred sales; (b) Between November 1 and May 8;

(c) Between May 9 and October 31 at such times and on such days as any thoroughbred, jai alai, or a greyhound permitholder in the same county is not conducting live performances; provided that any such permitholder may waive this requirement, in whole or in part, and allow the licensee under this section to conduct intertrack wagering during one or more of the permitholder's live performances; and

37 (d) During the weekend of the Kentucky Derby, the
38 Preakness, the Belmont, and a Breeders' Cup Meet that is
39 conducted before November 1 and after May 8.

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41	No more than one such license may be issued, and no such license
42	may be issued for a facility located within 50 miles of any <u>for-</u>
43	profit thoroughbred permitholder's track.
44	(4) Intertrack wagering under this section may be conducted
45	only on thoroughbred horse racing, except that intertrack
46	wagering may be conducted on any class of pari-mutuel race or
47	game conducted by any class of permitholders licensed under this
48	chapter if all thoroughbred, jai alai, and greyhound
49	permitholders in the same county as the licensee under this
50	section give their consent.
51	(5) The licensee shall be considered a guest track under
52	this chapter. The licensee shall pay 2.5 percent of the total
53	contributions to the daily pari-mutuel pool on wagers accepted
54	at the licensee's facility on greyhound races or jai alai games
55	to the thoroughbred permitholder that is conducting live races
56	for purses to be paid during its current racing meet. If more
57	than one thoroughbred permitholder is conducting live races on a
58	day during which the licensee is conducting intertrack wagering
59	on greyhound races or jai alai games, the licensee shall
60	allocate these funds between the operating thoroughbred
61	permitholders on a pro rata basis based on the total live handle
62	at the operating permitholders' facilities.
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65	And the title is amended as follows:
66	Between lines 1122 and 1123
67	insert:
68	550.6308, F.S.; revising requirements for a limited

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69 intertrack wagering license; revising requirements for
70 intertrack wagering; deleting requirements for limited
71 intertrack wagering licensees to make specified
72 payments; amending s.