

SHORT TITLE: Pari-mutuel wagering; modifying purse amount required of certain race for which wagers may be accepted; authorizing Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission to determine by rule placement of money wagered on certain televised races in separate or common pools; effective date.

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 44th Legislature (1993)

SENATE BILL NO. 134

By: Hobson of the Senate

and

Glover of the House

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to pari-mutuel racing; amending 3A O.S. 1991, Section 205.7, which relates to wagering on out-of-state feature races; modifying purse amount required of out-of-state feature race for which wagers may be accepted; authorizing Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission to determine by rule placement of money wagered on certain televised races in separate or common pools; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 3A O.S. 1991, Section 205.7, is amended to read as follows:

Section 205.7A. The Commission may authorize an organization licensee during the period it is conducting a race meeting, to accept wagers on the results of out-of-state feature races having a gross purse of ~~more than~~ One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) or more if the following conditions are met:

1. The authorization complies with federal laws including but not limited to Chapter 57 of Title 15 of the United States Code; and
2. Wagering is offered only within the racing enclosure and only within thirty-six (36) hours prior to the running of the out-of-state feature race.

B. Wagers on out-of-state feature races conducted pursuant to the provisions of this section shall be placed in a separate pari-mutuel pool or pools.

C. Each organization licensee accepting wagers on an out-of-state feature race shall deduct a percentage of the amount handled which is equal to the percentage deducted from the amount handled by the organization licensee in pari-mutuel pools at the race meeting held by the organization licensee.

D. Each organization licensee shall pay the state share of the organization licensee at the rate applicable to the races of the racing program of the organization licensee for the day on which the out-of-state feature race is offered.

E. Breakage and unclaimed ticket proceeds shall be distributed in the manner applicable to the races of the racing program of the organization licensee for the day on which the out-of-state feature race is offered.

F. Except as otherwise provided by law, the amount remaining from the deduction pursuant to the provisions of subsection C of this section after payment of the state share and the contractual payment to the out-of-state host racing organization, shall be distributed as follows:

1. Fifty percent (50%) to the organization licensee; and
2. Fifty percent (50%) to the organization licensee to be distributed as purses.

G. Any race run at any racetrack licensed by the Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission may be televised to another racetrack licensed by the Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission or may be televised out of state. Pari-mutuel wagering may be permitted on such race at any other licensed track within this state, or at any racetrack or other entity in another state or country. Money wagered on such races may be placed in separate or common pools as determined by rules of the Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission. A written application to televise

a race shall contain the details of such race, its agreements and contracts, and shall be submitted to the Commission for its approval at least thirty (30) days prior to the racing event. Such agreement shall comply with all applicable laws of the United States and the laws of this state. The proceeds of the agreement shall be distributed in the same manner as money wagered pursuant to the provisions of Section 205.6 of this title.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective September 1, 1993.

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