

CS for SB 694

1 THE STATE SENATE  
2 Monday, February 23, 2009

3 Committee Substitute for  
4 Senate Bill No. 694

5 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 694 - By: Sweeden of the  
6 Senate and Armes of the House.

7 [ amusements and sports - Oklahoma Horse Racing Act -  
8 effective date ]

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

10 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 3A O.S. 2001, Section 200.1, as  
11 last amended by Section 1, Chapter 1, O.S.L. 2007 (3A O.S. Supp.  
12 2008, Section 200.1), is amended to read as follows:

13 Section 200.1 A. As used in the Oklahoma Horse Racing Act:

14 1. "Commission" means the Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission;

15 2. "Enclosure" means all buildings, structures and grounds  
16 utilized for the conduct of a race meeting and/or gaming at the race  
17 track and any additional areas designated by the Oklahoma Horse  
18 Racing Commission;

19 3. "Family" means husband, wife, and any dependent children;

20 4. "Financial interest" means an interest that could result in  
21 directly or indirectly receiving a pecuniary gain or sustaining a  
22 pecuniary loss as a result of ownership or interest in a business  
23 entity, or as a result of salary, gratuity, or other compensation or  
24 remuneration from any person;

1           5. "Horse racing" means any type of horse racing, including,  
2 but not limited to, Arabian, Appaloosa, Paint, Pinto, Quarter Horse,  
3 and Thoroughbred horse racing.

4           a. "Arabian horse racing" means the form of horse racing  
5 in which each participating horse is an Arabian horse  
6 registered with the Arabian Horse Club Registry of  
7 America and approved by the Arabian Horse Racing  
8 Association of America or any successor organization,  
9 mounted by a jockey, and engaged in races on the flat  
10 over a distance of not less than one-quarter (1/4)  
11 mile or more than four (4) miles.

12          b. "Appaloosa horse racing" means the form of horse  
13 racing in which each participating horse is an  
14 Appaloosa horse registered with the Appaloosa Horse  
15 Club or any successor organization and mounted by a  
16 jockey.

17          c. "Quarter Horse racing" means the form of horse racing  
18 where each participating horse is a Quarter Horse  
19 registered with the American Quarter Horse Association  
20 or any successor organization, mounted by a jockey,  
21 and engaged in a race on the flat.

22          d. "Paint horse racing" means the form of horse racing in  
23 which each participating horse is a Paint horse

1 registered with the American Paint Horse Association  
2 or any successor organization and mounted by a jockey.

3 e. "Pinto horse racing" means the form of horse racing in  
4 which each participating horse is a Pinto horse  
5 registered with the Pinto Horse Association of  
6 America, Inc. or any successor organization and  
7 mounted by a jockey.

8 f. "Thoroughbred horse racing" means the form of horse  
9 racing in which each participating horse is a  
10 Thoroughbred horse registered with the Jockey Club or  
11 any successor organization, mounted by a jockey, and  
12 engaged in races on the flat.

13 "Horse racing" shall not mean the racing of a cloned horse or  
14 offspring of a cloned horse regardless of whether any breed  
15 association has registered the horse;

16 6. "Minor" means any individual under eighteen (18) years of  
17 age;

18 7. "Minus pool" means a pari-mutuel pool in which, after  
19 deducting the take-out, not enough money remains in the pool to pay  
20 the legally prescribed minimum return to those placing winning  
21 wagers, and in which the organization licensee would be required to  
22 pay the remaining amount due;

1       8. "Occupation licensee" means any person who has obtained an  
2 occupation license;

3       9. "Organization licensee" means any person receiving an  
4 organization license;

5       10. "Pari-mutuel system of wagering" means a form of wagering  
6 on the outcome of horse races in which those who wager purchase  
7 wagers of various denominations on a horse or horses and all wagers  
8 for each race are pooled and held by the organization licensee for  
9 distribution. The pari-mutuel system of wagering uses an electric  
10 totalizator or similar equipment which automatically registers the  
11 wagers made on each horse;

12       11. "Pari-mutuel pool" means the total money wagered by  
13 individuals on any horse or horses in a particular horse race to  
14 win, place, or show and held by the organization licensee pursuant  
15 to the pari-mutuel system of wagering. There is a separate pari-  
16 mutuel pool for win, for place, for show, and for each multiple  
17 combination of betting approved by the Oklahoma Horse Racing  
18 Commission;

19       12. "Person" means any individual, partnership, corporation, or  
20 other association or entity; and

21       13. "Race meeting" means the entire period of time not to  
22 exceed twenty (20) calendar days separating any race days for which  
23 an organization license has been granted to a person by the

1 Commission to hold horse races at which the pari-mutuel system of  
2 wagering is conducted, to hold non-pari-mutuel horse races or to  
3 conduct accredited work or training races.

4 B. The Commission may define by rule or regulation any term  
5 which is not defined in the Oklahoma Horse Racing Act.

6 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2009.

7 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS & LABOR, dated 2-18-09 -  
8 DO PASS, As Amended and Coauthored.