



VIRTUAL CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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AN ACT

To improve the integrity and safety of horseracing, and for other purposes.

Section 1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the "Outlaw Horseracing Doping Act".

Section 2. Definitions

- (1) The terms “interstate off-track wager”, “host racing association”, and “off-track betting system” have the meanings given those terms by the Interstate Horseracing Act of 1978.
 - (2) The term “veterinarian-client-patient relationship” has the meaning of that term as used in the Principles of Veterinary Medical Ethics of the American Veterinary Medical Association.
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Section 3. Independent Anti-Doping Organization

(a) In General.—There shall be an independent anti-doping organization with responsibility for ensuring the integrity and safety of horseraces that are the subject of interstate off-track wagers.

(b) Duties.—The duties of the independent anti-doping organization referred to in subsection (a) with respect to horseraces described in that subsection are the following:

(1) Developing, publishing, and maintaining rules with respect to

(A) substances, methods, and treatments that may not be administered to a horse participating in such a horserace;

(B) the use of substances, methods, and treatments, including rules with respect to the period before a horserace (which may not be less than 24 hours before a horserace) during which a horse may no longer receive such substances, methods, and treatments.

(2) Implementing programs relating to anti-doping education, research, testing, and adjudication to prevent any horse participating in a horserace described in subsection (a) from racing under the effect of any substance, method, or treatment that could affect the performance of the horse during a time period that is permitted under subparagraph (B) of that paragraph.

(3) Excluding from participating in any horserace described in subsection (a) any person that the independent anti-doping organization or a State racing commission determines

(A) violated a rule with respect to a substance, method, or treatment that may not be administered to a horse participating in such a horserace under subparagraph (A) of paragraph (1);

(C) is subject to a suspension from horseracing activities by any State racing commission.

Section 4. Consent Required For Acceptance of Interstate Off-Track Wagers.

(1) (a) In General.—On and after the date of the enactment of this Act, a host racing association may conduct a horserace that is the subject of an interstate off-track wager, and an interstate off-track wager may be accepted by an off-track betting system, only if consent is obtained from the independent anti-doping organization.

(b) Requirement For Agreement.

(2) IN GENERAL. A host racing association shall obtain the consent required by subsection (a) of the independent anti-doping organization pursuant to an agreement entered into between the association and the organization that specifies the terms and conditions relating to such consent, including

(A) compliance with the rules published under section 3(b); and

(B) payments to the organization to deter the costs of carrying out the duties of the organization under this Act.

Section 5. Enactment

This bill shall be enacted within the next horseracing season of its passing in the Senate, house and the signing of the President.