

SENATE BILL NO. 314

BY SENATOR CORTEZ

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 4:149 and 217(E), relative to historical horse racing; to provide for offtrack wagering facilities; to provide for purse supplements; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 4:149 and 217(E) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§149. Wagering; rules and regulations

The commission may prescribe rules and regulations under which shall be conducted all horse races upon the results of which there is wagering. The commission shall, as may be necessary, prescribe additional special rules and regulations applicable separately to thoroughbreds and quarter horses. The commission shall make rules governing, permitting, and regulating the wagering on horse races under the form of mutuel wagering by patrons, known as pari-mutuel wagering, whether on live or historical horse races. Only those persons receiving a license from the commission may conduct this type of wagering, and shall restrict this form of wagering to a any space within the race meeting grounds or an offtrack wagering facility, **as determined solely by the commission**. All other forms of wagering on the result of horse races are illegal.

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§217. Purse supplements; designation and distribution

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E. Notwithstanding, and in lieu of, any other provision of law, the monies designated for purses under the provisions of R.S. 4:216(E) from wagers placed at offtrack wagering facilities on historical horse races shall be distributed in the same

1 manner as set forth in R.S. 27:438(B) as in effect at the time of any such distribution,
 2 and if R.S. 27:438(B)(2)(a) becomes effective, any such quarter horse purse
 3 supplements shall **not** be included in the calculation of the applicable maximum of
 4 one million dollars per state fiscal year and the settlement amount as set forth
 5 therein.

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 PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

 SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

 GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____