

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3 2nd Session of the 59th Legislature (2024)

4 HOUSE BILL 2965

 By: Culver

7 AS INTRODUCED

8 An Act relating to horse racing; amending 3A O.S.
9 2021, Section 205.7a, which relates to televised
10 races; permitting certain races to be televised at
 certain racetracks, out-of-state, or out-of-country;
 and providing an effective date.

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

14 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 3A O.S. 2021, Section 205.7a, is
15 amended to read as follows:

16 Section 205.7a A. Any race run at any racetrack licensed by
17 the Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission may be televised to another
18 racetrack licensed by the Commission or may be televised out-of-
19 state or out-of-country.

20 B. Any organization licensee that televises races out-of-state
21 or out-of-country and accepts full-card out-of-state ~~simulcast~~
22 wagering at any time during a calendar year shall be required to
23 televis~~e~~ to all other racetracks licensed by the ~~Oklahoma Horse~~
24 ~~Racing~~ Commission all of its live races, or the number of days of

1 its live racing which is equivalent to the number of days of live
2 racing conducted at the receiving track, whichever is less. Pari-
3 mutuel wagering may be conducted on such races at all other
4 racetracks licensed by the Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission and may
5 be allowed at their in-state offtrack pari-mutuel wagering
6 facilities or at any other racetrack or entity in another state or
7 country. Money wagered on such races may be placed in separate or
8 common pools as determined by rules of the Oklahoma Horse Racing
9 Commission. A written application to televise a race shall contain
10 the details of such race, its agreements and contracts, and shall be
11 submitted to the Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission for its approval
12 prior to the racing event. Such agreement shall comply with all
13 applicable laws of the United States and the laws of this state.
14 The proceeds of the agreement shall be distributed in the same
15 manner as money wagered pursuant to the provisions of paragraph 1 of
16 subsection B, in subsection D, and in subsection E of Section 205.6
17 of this title and Section 208.2 of this title.

18 ~~B.~~ C. For the days on which a licensed track within this state
19 does not conduct live racing but conducts pari-mutuel wagering on
20 races televised from another licensed track within this state or on
21 out-of-state races, the conducting of pari-mutuel wagering shall not
22 be considered racing days for the purposes of this title.

23 ~~C.~~ D. When any licensed track within this state conducts pari-
24 mutuel wagering on races televised from another licensed track

1 within this state, the receiving licensee shall not retransmit the
2 sending licensee's signal without the express permission of the
3 sending licensee.

4 ~~D.~~ E. Breakage and unclaimed ticket proceeds shall be
5 distributed in the manner applicable to the races of the racing
6 program of the organization licensees who are sending and receiving
7 the racing program.

8 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2024.

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10 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY - CIVIL, dated
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