Introduced by Assembly Member Garrick

February 20, 2008

An act to amend Section 19549 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to horse racing.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2205, as introduced, Garrick. Horse racing: racing days.

Existing law, the Horse Racing Law, generally regulates horse racing and vests the administration and enforcement of the Horse Racing Law in the California Horse Racing Board.

Existing law permits the board to allocate up to 14 racing days to a fair each year, with specified exceptions, and provides that these 14 days shall be during the period in which general fair activities are conducted.

This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change to this provision.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 19549 of the Business and Professions
- 2 Code is amended to read:
- 3 19549. Except as provided in Section 19549.1, the maximum
- 4 number of racing days-that which may be allocated to a fair shall
- 5 be 14 days each year. Those racing days shall be days during the
- 6 period in which general fair activities are conducted. However,

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- 1 any fair racing association that conducted racing in the central or
- 2 southern zone prior to January 1, 1980, shall be entitled to be
- 3 allocated up to three weeks of racing. The board shall take public
- 4 testimony and make all determinations on the allocation of racing
- 5 dates during a public hearing. All discussions of allocating racing
- 6 dates by the board or its subcommittees shall be conducted during
- 7 a public hearing. Nothing in this section diminishes the authority
- 8 of the board to establish racing dates.