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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2007—08 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2205

Introduced by Assembly Member Garrick

February 20, 2008

An act to add Section ~~19531.2~~ *19532.1* to the Business and Professions Code, relating to horse racing.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2205, as amended, Garrick. Horse racing: racing weeks: allocations.

~~Existing law generally creates district agricultural associations, which are state institutions:~~

~~Existing law, the~~

The Horse Racing Law; generally regulates horse racing and vests the administration and enforcement of ~~the Horse Racing Law~~ *its provisions* in the California Horse Racing Board. Existing law requires the board to make allocations of racing weeks as it deems appropriate and specifies the maximum number of racing weeks that may be allocated for horse racing other than at fairs, including, for thoroughbred racing, a maximum of 44 weeks per year in the northern zone, 42 weeks per year in the central zone, and 7 weeks per year in the southern zone.

This bill would, ~~in the event~~ *authorize the board, if a venue used for thoroughbred racing by an association or racing fair* licensed to conduct

thoroughbred racing in the central zone in 2008 is not available for racing in 2009 or thereafter, ~~authorize the board to allocate the dates formerly allocated to that venue to other licensed associations or racing fairs that conducted licensed race meetings in 2008 in the southern or central zone in accordance with specified requirements, including, among others, that a certain agreed upon, plan of allocation be submitted annually to the board and that the aggregate racing.~~ *The bill would provide that, upon allocation of dates pursuant to these provisions, no association or racing fair licensed to conduct thoroughbred racing in the southern or central zones may receive more than 25 weeks conducted of thoroughbred racing in the combined southern and central zones do not exceed the total aggregate racing weeks allocated, as specified. The bill would prohibit the aggregate allocation of racing weeks conducted in the southern and central zones from exceeding the total aggregate racing weeks permitted to be run in those zones, as specified.*

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

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

1 SECTION 1. Section ~~19531.2~~ 19532.1 is added to the Business
 2 and Professions Code, to read:
 3 ~~19531.2.~~
 4 19532.1. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, ~~in~~
 5 ~~the event excluding venues under construction for the purpose of~~
 6 ~~expanded year-round stabling and training for thoroughbred race~~
 7 ~~horses, if a venue used for thoroughbred racing by an association~~
 8 ~~or racing fair licensed to conduct thoroughbred racing in the central~~
 9 ~~zone in 2008 is not available for racing in 2009 or thereafter, the~~
 10 ~~dates formerly allocated to that venue shall be available for~~
 11 ~~allocation to other associations or fairs, and those associations and~~
 12 ~~fairs that conducted licensed race meetings in 2008 in the southern~~
 13 ~~or central zone may conduct additional racing using an allocation~~
 14 ~~of those unused dates from the central zone in accordance with all~~
 15 ~~of the following:~~
 16 (a) ~~Absent its consent to accept a lesser allocation, an association~~
 17 ~~or fair that conducted licensed race meetings in 2008 in the~~
 18 ~~southern or central zone shall be entitled to an allocation of not~~

1 less than the dates allocated to it during 2007 or 2008, whichever
2 is greater.

3 ~~(b) An association or fair continuing to conduct racing in 2009~~
4 ~~and beyond, together with the organization representing~~
5 ~~thoroughbred horsemen, shall annually, on a date set by the board,~~
6 ~~submit an agreed-upon plan of allocation that the board may adopt.~~
7 ~~In the event an agreed-upon plan of allocation is not presented to~~
8 ~~the board in any year, the board shall determine the appropriate~~
9 ~~allocation for the year following: by the board to licensed~~
10 ~~associations or racing fairs in the southern or central zone.~~

11 *(b) Upon allocation of dates pursuant to this section, no*
12 *association or racing fair licensed to conduct thoroughbred racing*
13 *in the southern or central zones may receive more than 25 weeks*
14 *of thoroughbred racing when aggregated among the combined*
15 *southern and central zones.*

16 ~~(c) The~~ *Notwithstanding subdivisions (a) and (b), the* aggregate
17 allocation of racing weeks conducted in the southern and central
18 zones shall not exceed the total aggregate racing weeks permitted
19 to be run in the southern and central zones by Section 19531.

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22 CORRECTIONS:
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