

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 315**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Wright**

February 8, 1999

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An act to amend Section 19412 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to horse racing, and making an appropriation therefor.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 315, as introduced, R. Wright. Horse racing: proposition wagers.

(1) For the purpose of the Horse Racing Law, existing law defines "conventional parimutuel pool" and "exotic parimutuel pool" and allows conventional and exotic wagers, as defined, to be placed on all forms of horse racing. Existing law also defines "proposition parimutuel pool" as the total wagers under the parimutuel system on made propositions approved by the California Horse Racing Board that are based on the results of a live quarter horse race.

This bill would instead define "proposition parimutuel pool" as the total wagers made under the parimutuel system on propositions approved by the California Horse Racing Board that are based on the results of any horse race, and thus would allow proposition wagers to be made on all live horse races, subject to the same fees as exotic wagers, with commissions and purses to be determined by mutual agreement between the association and the horsemen's organization.

(2) Under existing law, all revenues distributed to the state as license fees from horse racing are required to be deposited in the Fair and Exposition Fund and are continuously appropriated to the Department of Food and Agriculture for various regulatory and general governmental purposes.

By expanding the definition of “proposition parimutuel wagering” to apply to additional forms of horse racing, this bill would authorize additional wagering, and would increase the amount of continuously appropriated license fees, thereby making an appropriation.

Vote: <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub>. Appropriation: yes. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 19412 of the Business and  
 2 Professions Code is amended to read:  
 3 19412. (a) “Conventional parimutuel pool” means  
 4 the total wagers under the parimutuel system on any  
 5 horse or horses in a particular race to win, place, or show.  
 6 (b) “Exotic parimutuel pool” means the total wagers  
 7 under the parimutuel system on the finishing position of  
 8 two or more horses in a particular race, such as quinella  
 9 or exacta wagers, or on horses to win two or more races,  
 10 such as daily double wagers, pick six wagers, or on other  
 11 wagers approved by the board.  
 12 (c) “Proposition parimutuel pool” means the total  
 13 wagers under the parimutuel system on propositions  
 14 approved by the board that are based on the results of a  
 15 live-~~quarter-horse-horserace~~ horse race. The total wagers  
 16 made in the proposition parimutuel pool are subject to  
 17 the same licensee fee as exotic wagers on a live-~~quarter~~  
 18 horse race, and commissions and purses shall be  
 19 distributed in the amounts mutually agreed upon by the  
 20 association and the organization representing the  
 21 horsemen and horsewomen.

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