SENATE BILL 23

51ST LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2013

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

RELATING TO HORSE RACING; PROVIDING FOR THE CHAIR OF THE GAMING CONTROL BOARD TO SERVE EX OFFICIO ON THE STATE RACING COMMISSION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. Section 60-1A-3 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 2007, Chapter 39, Section 3) is amended to read:

"60-1A-3. COMMISSION CREATED--APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS-TERMS OF OFFICE.--

- A. The "state racing commission" is created and is administratively attached to the tourism department.
- B. The commission shall consist of five members, the chair of the gaming control board, who serves ex officio, and four other members no more than [three] two of whom shall be members of the same political party. The commission members .190897.1

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shall be appointed by the governor and be confirmed by the senate. All members of the commission shall hold at-large positions on the commission.

- At least [three] two of the members of the commission shall be practical breeders of racehorses within New Mexico.
- A commission member shall have primary residence in New Mexico and shall be of high character and reputation so that public confidence in the administration of horse racing is maintained.
- The term of each appointed member of the commission shall be six years from the date of the member's The member shall serve until a successor is appointment. appointed. In the case of a vacancy in the membership of the commission, the governor shall fill the vacancy by appointment for the unexpired term.
- A person shall not be eligible for appointment as a member of the commission who is an officer, official or director in a corporation conducting horse racing within the state.
- Members of the commission shall receive no salary for their service on the commission, but each appointed member of the commission [shall] is entitled to receive per diem and mileage pursuant to the Per Diem and Mileage Act.
- The commission may appoint an executive director Η. .190897.1

and establish the executive director's duties and compensation."

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