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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 01/23/13

SPONSOR Neville LAST UPDATED _____ HB _____

SHORT TITLE State Racing Commission Members SB 23

ANALYST Weber

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY13	FY14	FY15	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
Total		NFI				

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

Gaming Control Board (GCB)
State Racing Commission (SRC)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 23 designates the chair of the gaming control board to serve ex officio as a member of the state racing commission. The total number of State Racing Commission remains at five but the requirement of three practical breeders as members is reduced to two. In addition, only two of the four remaining members can be from the same political party rather than the current three. The bill reiterates that appointed members receive only per diem and mileage for their service.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The bill has no fiscal impact.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

With the elimination of one practical breeder of racehorses, the Racing Commission notes concern that the expertise and experience of the total membership may be diluted. The majority of the Racing Commission members should have a vast understanding of the needs of the industry in order to provide the best regulation and enforce statues for all participants.

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