

CHAPTER 73

REGULATION OF PARI-MUTUEL WAGERING — MEDICATION OF HORSES AND DOGS — ADVANCE DEPOSIT WAGERING SETOFF PROCEDURES

H.F. 568

AN ACT relating to pari-mutuel wagering, including horse and dog racing medication requirements and the applicability of certain setoff procedures to advance deposit wagering operators and including effective date provisions.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section 99D.25, subsection 1, paragraph b, Code 2017, is amended to read as follows:

b. “Numbing” means the applying of ice or a freezing device or substance to the limbs of a horse or dog within two hours before the start of a race, or a surgical or other procedure which was, at any time, performed in which the nerves of a horse or dog were severed, destroyed, injected, or removed. For purposes of this paragraph, ice is not a freezing device or substance.

Sec. 2. Section 99D.25A, subsections 2 and 7, Code 2017, are amended to read as follows:

2. Phenylbutazone ~~shall not~~ may be administered to a horse in dosages which would result in concentrations of more than five micrograms of the substance or its metabolites per milliliter of blood dosage amounts as set by rule by the commission. In races recognized as graded stakes thoroughbred races, the commission may establish restrictions on dosage amounts for phenylbutazone which would result in concentrations of less than five micrograms of the substance or its metabolites per milliliter of blood.

7. A horse entered to race with furosemide must be treated at least four hours prior to post time. The furosemide shall be administered intravenously by a veterinarian ~~employed by the owner or trainer of the horse~~ issued a current occupational license by the commission. The commission shall adopt rules to ensure that furosemide is administered as provided in [this section](#). The commission shall require that the practicing veterinarian deliver an affidavit signed by the veterinarian which certifies information regarding the treatment of the horse. The affidavit must be delivered to a commission veterinarian ~~within twenty minutes~~ following the treatment. The ~~statement~~ affidavit must at least include the name of the practicing veterinarian, the tattoo number of the horse, the location of the barn and stall where the treatment occurred, the race number of the horse, the name of the trainer, and the time that the furosemide was administered. Furosemide shall only be administered in a dose level of no less than one hundred fifty milligrams and no more than five hundred milligrams.

Sec. 3. Section 99D.28, Code 2017, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. 8. For purposes of [this section](#), “licensee” shall also include an advance deposit wagering operator.

Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE UPON ENACTMENT. The following provision or provisions of this Act, being deemed of immediate importance, take effect upon enactment:

1. The section of this Act amending section 99D.25.
2. The section of this Act amending section 99D.25A.

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