

CHAPTER 1088
HORSE RACING REGULATION
H.F. 2439

AN ACT relating to horse racing regulated by the racing and gaming commission.

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

Section 1. [Section 99D.22, subsection 1](#), paragraph a, Code 2018, is amended to read as follows:

a. (1) A licensee shall hold at least one race on each racing day limited to Iowa-foaled horses or Iowa-whelped dogs as defined by the department of agriculture and land stewardship using standards consistent with [this section](#). However, if sufficient competition cannot be had among that class of horses or dogs on any day, another race for the day may be substituted.

(2) If Iowa-foaled horses are in a race not limited to Iowa-foaled horses that is not a stakes race, the licensee shall allow any Iowa-foaled horse an additional three-pound weight allowance beyond the stated conditions of the race.

Sec. 2. [Section 99D.23, subsections 1 and 2](#), Code 2018, are amended to read as follows:

1. The commission shall employ one or more chemists or contract with a qualified chemical laboratory to determine by chemical testing and analysis of saliva, urine, blood, hair, or other excretions or body fluids whether a substance or drug has been introduced which may affect the outcome of a race or whether an action has been taken or a substance or drug has been introduced which may interfere with the testing procedure. The commission shall adopt rules under [chapter 17A](#) concerning procedures and actions taken on positive drug reports. The commission may adopt by reference nationally recognized standards as determined by the commission or may adopt any other procedure or standard. The commission has the authority to retain and preserve by freezing, test samples for future analysis.

2. The commission shall employ or contract with one or more veterinarians to extract or procure the saliva, urine, blood, hair, or other excretions or body fluids of the horses or dogs for the chemical testing purposes of [this section](#). A commission veterinarian shall be in attendance at every race meeting held in this state.

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