

**SENATE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION No. _____**

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION recognizing the Indiana horse racing industry.

DORIOT, GLICK, LEISING

_____, read first time and referred to Committee on



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2 horse racing industry.

3 *Whereas, Standardbred racing in Indiana, where drivers*
4 *ride in small two-wheel carts pulled by the horses, dates back*
5 *to the 19th century, where it began as an exciting family outing*
6 *at many county fairs;*

7 *Whereas, Thoroughbred racing, which is the stereotypical*
8 *horse racing around a track, has also taken place in Indiana*
9 *since the 19th century;*

10 *Whereas, Quarter horse racing in Indiana, where horses*
11 *sprint in a straight line, dates back to the 1950s, and quickly*
12 *became a fixture at the Indiana State Fair due to its fast pace;*

13 *Whereas, Outside of racing, Hoosiers have also had their*
14 *hand in breeding horses for racing for decades, which led to*
15 *breed development programs being created in the 1990s;*

16 *Whereas, The first official Hoosier horse racetrack was*
17 *built in Anderson, which opened in 1994, followed by a second*
18 *track that was opened in Shelbyville in 2002;*

19 *Whereas, Horse racing has a huge impact on Indiana's*
20 *economy, estimated to be \$2 billion annually, in addition to*
21 *employing over 10,000 people in the industry;*

22 *Whereas, The impact of horse racing stretches across all 92*
23 *counties, and in its 2022 economic impact study, Purdue*



1 *University estimated that over 12,000 horses are involved*
2 *statewide in Indiana's racing and breeding programs; and*

3 *Whereas, Horse racing continues to grow, providing*
4 *opportunities for owners, breeders, trainers, and Hoosiers all*
5 *over to participate in one of the state's most historical*
6 *activities: Therefore,*

7 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly*
8 *of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives*
9 *concurring:*

10 SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly
11 recognizes the tremendous impact the horse racing industry has
12 across the State of Indiana.

13 SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed
14 to transmit copies of this Resolution to Senator Doriot.

