SB 165 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On General Government

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Meeting Dates: 4/27, 5/4

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Establishes revenue distributions from licensed horse race courses that conduct mutuel wagering based on historical horse racing to Oregon horse organizations, including the Oregon Racing Commission, Oregon Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders Association, and Oregon Quarter Horse Racing Association. Makes distributions required in 2022 and increases amounts by three percent each subsequent year.

Senate vote: Ayes, 28; Nays, 2--Heard, Thatcher

No fiscal impact; no revenue impact

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

SB 165 A specifies that revenue distributions from wagers made on historical horse racing be fixed payouts, with an annual increase of three percent, to various horse racing entities in the state, including the Oregon Racing Commission, the Oregon Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders Association, and the Oregon Quarter Horse Racing Association. The measure makes these distributions required beginning in 2022 and increases the payment amounts by three percent each subsequent year.