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Senate Committee on Finance and Revenue
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Dear Committee Members:

Please accept this letter as testimony in support of SB 165. The Oregon Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders Association (OTOBA) joins with the horse racing industry to modernize racing statute in our state.

Grants Pass Downs is working to bring back commercial horse racing after the loss of Portland Meadows. The OTOBA, along with industry stakeholders, is in full support of their efforts. SB 165 will assure horse associations and the Oregon Racing Commission of a stable funding resource.

SB 165 is an important tool for Grants Pass Downs to be successful. A viable and steady funding stream will benefit Thoroughbred breeders, owners, jockeys, and the many people working in the horse racing industry.

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Oregon Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders Association, I respectfully request your support and approval of SB 165.

Best regards,

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