

February 15, 2021

Senator Ginny Burdick, Chair Senate Committee on Finance and Revenue Oregon State Capitol Salem, OR 97301

RE: SB 165

Dear Chair Burdick and Members of the Senate Committee on Finance and Revenue,

The Oregon Quarter Horse Racing Association strongly supports SB 165. This bill, with the amendment, is a consensus proposal by the horse racing industry to modernize the horse racing laws. All of us in the horse racing industry support the efforts of Grants Pass Downs to maintain horse racing in Oregon for all of those who rely on horse racing for their living.

SB 165 provides an important tool for Grants Pass Downs to be successful. In addition, it will ensure horse organizations such as ours, to have financial stability and predictability which is critically important to those of us raising horses, to the trainers, to the jockeys and others who rely financially on the industry.

We strongly urge your support of SB 165.

Sincerely,

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