

**Enrolled**  
**Senate Bill 853**

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CHAPTER .....

AN ACT

Relating to Oregon Racing Commission license fees; amending ORS 462.070 and 462.725; and declaring an emergency.

**Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

**SECTION 1.** ORS 462.070 is amended to read:

462.070. (1) The Oregon Racing Commission may adopt rules establishing license fees for persons described in ORS 462.020 (2), not to exceed [~~\$30~~] **\$150** per year. Prior to adopting a rule that establishes a fee for a license, the commission shall review the fees charged for similar licenses in other states. The commission also may charge a reasonable fee for claiming certificates in an amount not to exceed \$10.

(2) The license fee per fiscal year for operators of public training tracks or kennels required to be licensed under ORS 462.020 (3) shall be:

(a) For the Oregon State Fair or a county or district fair, \$10.

(b) For all other operators of public training tracks or kennels, \$25.

(3) The commission may by rule provide for a license that is issued to a person described in ORS 462.020 (2) to be valid for one, two or three years from date of issuance. The commission may fix the expiration date of the license and may prorate the fee established for the license.

**SECTION 2.** ORS 462.725 is amended to read:

462.725. (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, the Oregon Racing Commission may adopt rules to:

(a) License and regulate all phases of operation of Multi-Jurisdictional Simulcasting and Interactive Wagering Totalizator Hubs located in Oregon; and

(b) Authorize and license Multi-Jurisdictional Simulcasting and Interactive Wagering Totalizator Hubs to conduct simulcast broadcasting of, and mutuel wagering on, animal races, including previously held races on which mutuel wagering is lawful in Oregon.

(2) In addition to the other rules of operation adopted by the commission, the commission shall adopt a rule setting the amount that may be taken from the gross receipts of the multi-jurisdictional mutuel system.

(3) All employees working in Oregon and all officers of any Multi-Jurisdictional Simulcasting and Interactive Wagering Totalizator Hubs located and operating in Oregon must obtain a license from the commission prior to the commencement of business or employment. The commission shall adopt rules establishing license fees for the employees and officers, not to exceed [~~\$30~~] **\$150** per year.

- (4) Payments to be made to the commission include:
- (a) Multi-Jurisdictional Simulcasting and Interactive Wagering Totalizator Hub license fee not more than [\$200] **\$225** per operating day.
  - (b) Not more than one percent of total gross receipts of mutuel wagering recorded by the totalizator system.
  - (5) Of the moneys received by the commission under subsection (4)(b) of this section, 25 percent shall be paid to the State Treasurer for deposit in the General Fund and 75 percent shall be retained by the commission. The commission may adopt rules under which the moneys retained by the commission may be distributed for the benefit of the Oregon pari-mutuel racing industry.
  - (6) Wagers on previously held races authorized under subsection (1) of this section are subject to the provisions of ORS 462.157.
  - (7) A Multi-Jurisdictional Simulcasting and Interactive Wagering Totalizator Hub licensee may establish an account for wagering on greyhound racing for an individual unless wagering on live greyhound racing is unlawful in the jurisdiction of the individual's principal residence.

**SECTION 3. This 2025 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2025 Act takes effect on its passage.**

**Passed by Senate June 10, 2025**

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 Obadiah Rutledge, Secretary of Senate

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 Rob Wagner, President of Senate

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 Julie Fahey, Speaker of House

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