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When greyhound racing is profitable the dogs will never be prioritized, corners will be cut, dogs will (and do) get hurt and discarded. These are one of the most gentle breeds of animals, we have to advocate for their safety, allowing betting puts them at risk.

Every race is a gamble between life or death for them, and I've seen first hand the injuries, surgeries, and complicated health problems that greyhounds experience after a life of racing. I have a sighthound myself and I could not imagine him going through that. It's a horrible sport and I'm embarrassed fellow Oregonians are allowed to still bet on these sweet dogs. I vote to prohibit wagering on dog races for these reasons.