Oregon Racing Commission

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HB 3023

 HB 3023 allows ORC to retains th 25% of hub funds that currently goes to the general fund



Who is in favor of this?

- The bill is being submitted by the Oregon Racing Commisison
- Govenor Kotek has approved the bill and has added it into her budget.

Why does ORC want this?

- The Oregon Racing Commission has had several financial hits in recent years such as:
 - The loss of a year-round racetrack Portland Meadows
 - The loss of a year-round on-site simulcasting facility Portland Meadows
 - The loss of three Off Track Betting Sites Onterio, Medford and Roseburg
 - The loss of HHR in Portland and then in Grants Pass
 - The loss of three online wagering licensees

How much money is this?

Approximately \$850,000.00 per year

What will ORC do with this money?

- Our primary interests are to use this for increasing safety and increasing purses.
- Safety initiatives:
 - Reinstate our veterinarian back to year round
 - Bring on an additional vet tech
 - Bring greater testing and oversight of the condition of the racetrack
 - Replace equipment upgrade equipment
- Higher Purses results in:
 - Better horses
 - More participation from "other" races