
AGENCY OVERVIEW

670 ND HORSE RACING COMMISSION

Date: 12/13/2006

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STATUTORY AUTHORITY

North Dakota Century Code 53-06.2-01 to 53-06.2-16.

AGENCY DESCRIPTION

The North Dakota Racing Commission is the regulatory body in charge of regulating live and simulcast racing in North Dakota and administers three special funds for the benefit of the horse racing industry in North Dakota. The Commission is made up of five members appointed by the Governor and has an office staff of a Director and an Administrative Staff Officer.

AGENCY MISSION

- Respond to horsemen's concerns and respond to all inquiries directed towards live and simulcast racing.
- Will execute the duties required by the North Dakota Century Code and the North Dakota Constitution.
- Will promulgate rules and assure compliance with agency code as it relates to live and simulcast horse racing.
- Will approve and license live racing via licenses provided to tracks, associations, owners, trainers, jockeys, etc.
- Will approve and license all simulcast racing, i.e. service providers, tote operators, charitable sites, and employees.
- Mandate to monitor live and simulcast racing by providing veterinarians, stewards and any other personnel required to ensure compliance with the Administrative Code.
- Administer the Promotion Fund to promote live and simulcast racing. Oversees compliance with promotion awards.
- Administer the Purse Fund and disburse amounts to live race tracks at its discretion to promote live racing. Assure compliance by the award recipients.
- Administer the Breeders Fund by controlling registration and disbursing awards. Registrar currently contains over 3,100 horses.
- The mission will be accomplished in a effective, efficient, and courteous manner and with a financial responsibility.

AGENCY PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Performance measures and results reporting are not currently used by this office.

The Racing Commission provides the following services:

- Regulate on-track racing and off-track betting through a statewide simulcast system.
- License and regulates the conduct of organizations or persons involved in racing and off-track betting.
- Ensures the collection of state taxes, and collects and administers special funds derived from racing activity through the Promotion, Purse and Breeders' funds.
- The Racing Commission provides for racing under the certificate system, sets racing dates, enforces laws, adopts and enforces rules concerning pari-mutuel racing,
- licenses all participants in the live racing and simulcast wagering industry, conducts financial and compliance reviews of the licensees, and performs inspections for health and safety purposes.

MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Regulated the live and simulcast racing industry in North Dakota.
- Promoted horse racing.
- Assisted in the opening of the North Dakota Horse Park in Fargo. This new facility will gain national exposure for North Dakota as well as promotion for the breeders and owners of North Dakota bred horses, thus contributing to the overall health of the horse industry in North Dakota.

FUTURE CRITICAL ISSUES

There are no costs-to-continue for this agency.

REQUEST SUMMARY

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Biennium: 2007-2009

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BY MAJOR PROGRAM					
HORSE RACING ADMINISTRATION	301,049	367,145	22,192	389,337	71,368
TOTAL MAJOR PROGRAMS	301,049	367,145	22,192	389,337	71,368
BY LINE ITEM					
RACING COMMISSION	301,049	367,145	22,192	389,337	71,368
TOTAL LINE ITEMS	301,049	367,145	22,192	389,337	71,368
BY FUNDING SOURCE					
GENERAL FUND	173,073	117,479	0	117,479	35,684
FEDERAL FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0
SPECIAL FUNDS	127,976	249,666	22,192	271,858	35,684
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REQUEST DETAIL

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CHANGE PACKAGE SUMMARY
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Description	FTE	General Fund	Federal Funds	Special Funds	Total Funds
AGENCY BUDGET CHANGES					
Cost To Continue	.00	0	0	22,192	22,192
Agency Total	.00	0	0	22,192	22,192
OPTIONAL REQUEST					
2 New Administrative Asst. Position	1.00	35,684	0	35,684	71,368
Optional Total	1.00	35,684	0	35,684	71,368

BUDGET CHANGES NARRATIVE
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Change Group: A	Change Type: A	Change No: 1	Priority: 1
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Funding Source Change-Not Applied -

This change transfers general fund out of salaries and removes the budget for temporary employees.

Change Group: O	Change Type: A	Change No: 2	Priority: 1
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New Administrative Asst. Position -

An additional administrative position is required to assist with the extra responsibilities related to the Racing Commission becoming a stand-alone agency.