



HB0085

Local approval for simulcasting.

Sponsored By: Joint Appropriations Committee

AN ACT relating to pari-mutuel wagering; specifying requirements for permitting simulcasting and historic horse racing machines; requiring approval, review and objection by a city, town or county for the issuance of a simulcasting permit as specified; authorizing conditions and revocation of approval; authorizing appeals; amending enforcement requirements; conforming provisions; specifying applicability; and providing for an effective date.

12/30/2024 Bill Number Assigned
1/2/2025 H Received for Introduction
1/23/2025 H Introduced and Referred to H06 - Travel
2/3/2025 H06 - Travel:Recommend Amend and Do Pass 8-0-1-0-0

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Representative(s) Byron, Campbell, Connolly, Harshman, Jarvis, Provenza, Storer, Wharff

Excused: Representative Thayer

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Excused 1 Absent 0 Conflicts 0

2/3/2025 H Placed on General File

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Page 1-line 3 After "approval" delete "and" and insert ","; delete "consent" and insert "review and objection".

Page 2-line 2 Delete "**and consent**" and insert "**, review and objection**".

Page 3-line 4 Delete "consent" and insert "review and objection".

Page 3-line 16 Delete "consent" and insert "review and objection".

Page 4-line 18 Delete "consent" and insert "review and objection".

Page 5-line 13 After "permit" insert "and the holder of the permit to simulcast may, in advance of the designated meeting, request a contested case hearing".

Page 6-line 7 After "including" delete balance of line and insert ":".

Page 7-line 20 Delete "that are not cured" and insert "for which reasonable steps to cure the issue are not initiated".

Page 8-line 6 Delete ", or any employee or agent thereof,".

Page 8-lines 11 through 13 Delete entirely and renumber as necessary.

Page 8-line 15 Delete "(D)" and insert "(C)".

Page 9-line 2 Delete "consent" and insert "review and objection".

Page 10-after line 4 Insert:

"(m) Subject to local authority approval of a transfer of location, the transfer of an existing simulcasting permit shall be treated as a renewal of approval for a simulcasting permit."

- Page 10-line 6 After "**Section 2.**" delete balance of line and insert "W.S. 11-25-102(a)(vii)(intro) and by".
- Page 10-line 7 Delete "through (xxv)" and insert "and (xxiv)".
- Page 10-line 8 After "11-25-201(a)" delete balance of line.
- Page 10-line 9 Delete "(iv)".
- Page 10-lines 15 through 22 Delete entirely.
- Page 11-lines 1 through 7 Delete entirely.
- Page 11-lines 15 through 21 Delete entirely and renumber as necessary.
- Page 12-line 1 Delete "(xxiv)" and insert "(xxiii)".
- Page 12-line 6 Delete "(xxv)" and insert "(xxiv)".
- Page 14-lines 8 through 22 Delete entirely.
- Page 15-lines 1 through 14 Delete entirely.
- Page 15-lines 21 and 22 Delete entirely.
- Page 16-lines 1 through 16 Delete entirely and insert:

"(a) Notwithstanding W.S. 11-25-210, permitted simulcasting facilities as of the effective date of this act shall be authorized to continue operations until June 30, 2026, subject to the conditions of their existing approvals and permits.

(b) On and after July 1, 2026, all simulcasting facilities that were permitted as of the effective date of this act shall be subject to the requirements of W.S. 11-25-210 and a city, town or county may deny or refuse to provide its approval of such simulcasting facilities pursuant to the requirements of W.S. 11-25-210 only upon a showing of good cause, as specified in W.S. 11-25-210(g)(viii)". BYRON, CHAIRMAN

2/4/2025 H COW:Passed
2/5/2025 H 2nd Reading:Passed
2/6/2025 H 3rd Reading:Passed 61-0-1-0-0

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Representative(s) Allemand, Andrew, Angelos, Banks, Bear, Brady, Bratten, Brown, G, Brown, L, Byron, Campbell, E, Campbell, K, Chestek, Clouston, Connolly, Davis, Eklund, Erickson, Filer, Geringer, Guggenmos, Haroldson, Harshman, Heiner, Hoeft, Jarvis, Johnson, Kelly, Knapp, Larsen, Larson, Lawley, Lien, Locke, Lucas, Mccann, Neiman, Nicholas, Ottman, Pendergraft, Posey, Provenza, Rodriguez-Williams, Schmid, Sherwood, Singh, Smith, Storer, Strock, Styvar, Tarver, Thayer, Washut, Wasserburger, Webb, Webber, Wharff, Williams, Winter, Wylie, Yin

Excused: Representative Riggins
Ayes 61 **Nays** 0 **Excused** 1 **Absent** 0 **Conflicts** 0

2/7/2025 S Received for Introduction
2/28/2025 S Did not Consider for Introduction