

SENATE No. 01970

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Eleven.

AN ACT EXTENDING SIMULCASTING

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to further regulate simulcasting forthwith, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows:

SECTION 1. The first paragraph of section 12A of chapter 494 of the acts of 1978 is hereby amended by striking out the words “and until July 31, 2011”, inserted by section 1 of chapter 203 of the acts of 2010, and inserting in place thereof the following words:- and until January 31, 2012.

SECTION 2. The last paragraph of said section 12A of said chapter 494 is hereby amended by striking out the words “July 31, 2011”, inserted by section 2 of said chapter 203, and inserting in place thereof the following words:- January 31, 2012.

SECTION 3. The introductory paragraph of section 13 of said chapter 494 is hereby amended by striking out the words “and until July 31, 2011”, inserted by section 3 of said chapter 203, and inserting in place thereof the following words:- and until January 31, 2012.

SECTION 4. Section 15 of said chapter 494 is hereby amended by striking out the words “and until July 31, 2011”, inserted by section 4 of said chapter 203, and inserting in place thereof the following words:- and until January 31, 2012.

SECTION 5. The first paragraph of section 9 of chapter 277 of the acts of 1986 is hereby amended by striking out the words “and until July 31, 2011”, inserted by section 5 of said chapter 203, and inserting in place thereof the following words:- and until January 31, 2012.

SECTION 6. The first sentence of the first paragraph of section 3 of chapter 114 of the acts of 1991 is hereby amended by striking out the words “and until July 31, 2011”, inserted by section 6 of said chapter 203, and inserting in place thereof the following words:- and until January 31, 2012.

SECTION 7. The last paragraph of said section 3 of said chapter 114 is hereby amended by striking out the words “July 31, 2011”, inserted by section 7 of said chapter 203, and inserting in place thereof the following words:- January 31, 2012.

SECTION 8. The first paragraph of section 4 of said chapter 114 is hereby amended by striking out the words “and until July 31, 2011”, inserted by section 8 of said chapter 203, and inserting in place thereof the following words:- and until January 31, 2012.

SECTION 9. The last paragraph of said section 4 of said chapter 114 is hereby amended by striking out the words “July 31, 2011”, inserted by section 9 of said chapter 203, and inserting in place thereof the following words:- January 31, 2012.

SECTION 10. The first paragraph of section 5 of said chapter 114 is hereby amended by striking out the words “and until July 31, 2011”, inserted by section 10 of said chapter 203, and inserting in place thereof the following words:- and until January 31, 2012.

SECTION 11. Section 13 of chapter 101 of the acts of 1992 is hereby amended by striking out the words “July 31, 2011”, inserted by section 11 of said chapter 203, and inserting in place thereof the following words:- January 31, 2012.

SECTION 12. Section 45 of chapter 139 of the acts of 2001 is hereby amended by striking out the words “July 31, 2011”, inserted by section 12 of said chapter 203, and inserting in place thereof the following words:- January 31, 2012.

SECTION 13. Section 20 of chapter 449 of the acts of 2006 is hereby amended by striking out the words “July 31, 2011”, inserted by section 13 of said chapter 203, and inserting in place thereof the following words:- January 31, 2012.

SECTION 14. Notwithstanding section 2 of chapter 128A of the General Laws and sections 1, 2 and 2A of chapter 128C of the General Laws or any other general or special law or rule or regulation to the contrary, the greyhound meeting licensee located in Bristol county and the greyhound meeting licensee located in Suffolk county

licensed to conduct live racing pursuant to said chapter 128A and simulcast wagering pursuant to said chapter 128C in calendar year 2011, shall remain licensed as greyhound racing meeting licensees until January 31, 2012; provided, however, that the days between January 1, 2011, and January 31, 2012, shall be dark days pursuant to said chapter 128C and the licensees shall continue to be precluded from conducting live racing during that period and as provided in chapter 388 of the acts of 2008; provided further, that all simulcasts shall comply with the Interstate Horse Racing Act of 1978, 15 U.S.C. Sec. 3001 et seq. or other applicable federal law; provided further, that all simulcasts from states which have racing associations that do not require approval in compliance with the Interstate Horse Racing Act of 1978, 15 U.S.C. Sec. 3004 (a) (1) (A), except simulcasts during the month of August, shall require the approval of the New England Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association prior to being simulcast to a racing meeting licensee within the commonwealth; and provided further, that if the association agrees to approve the simulcast for 1 racing meeting licensee, it shall approve the simulcast for all otherwise eligible racing meeting licensees.

SECTION 15. Notwithstanding section 2 of chapter 128C of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, in calendar year 2011, no racing meeting licensee located in Suffolk county shall simulcast live races in a racing season unless the racing meeting licensee is licensed to and actually conducts at least 720 live races over the course of not less than 80 calendar days during the 2011 racing season with no fewer than 7 races completed on any of those 80 calendar days.