

AN ACT

relating to the review date for certain governmental entities subject to the sunset review process and the regulation of horse racing by the Texas Racing Commission.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 443.002, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 443.002. SUNSET PROVISION. The State Preservation Board is subject to Chapter 325 (Texas Sunset Act). Unless continued in existence as provided by that chapter, the board is abolished and this chapter expires September 1, 2029 [~~2025~~].

SECTION 2. Section 444.002(a), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The Texas Commission on the Arts is subject to Chapter 325 (Texas Sunset Act). Unless continued in existence as provided by that chapter, the commission is abolished and this chapter expires September 1, 2029 [~~2025~~].

SECTION 3. Section 467.002, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 467.002. APPLICATION OF SUNSET ACT. The commission is subject to review under Chapter 325 (Texas Sunset Act). Unless continued in existence as provided by that chapter, the commission is abolished and this chapter, Chapter 466 of this code, and Chapter 2001, Occupations Code, expire September 1, 2025.

1 SECTION 4. Section 659.140(i), Government Code, is amended
2 to read as follows:

3 (i) The state employee charitable campaign policy committee
4 is subject to the Texas Sunset Act. Unless continued in existence
5 as provided by that chapter, the committee is abolished and this
6 subchapter [~~Government Code, Chapter 659, Subchapter I,~~] and
7 Sections 814.0095 and 814.0096 expire on September 1, 2029 [~~2025~~].

8 SECTION 5. Section 2021.008, Occupations Code, is amended
9 by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (a-1) to read as
10 follows:

11 (a) The commission is subject to Chapter 325, Government
12 Code (Texas Sunset Act). Unless continued in existence as provided
13 by that chapter, and except as provided by Subsections (b) and (c),
14 the commission is abolished and this subtitle expires September 1,
15 2029 [~~2027~~].

16 (a-1) As part of the review under Subsection (a), the Sunset
17 Advisory Commission shall review:

18 (1) the impact on the commission of authorizing the
19 executive director to apply for and receive grants to implement or
20 enforce this subtitle;

21 (2) the effect of increasing the amount of
22 unappropriated money remaining in the Texas Racing Commission fund
23 at the close of each state fiscal biennium that is transferred to
24 the general revenue fund;

25 (3) the effect of complying with Chapter 53 in the
26 administration of the commission's licensing program;

27 (4) the effect of requiring reimbursement of general

1 revenue appropriated to the commission for the administration and
2 enforcement of this subtitle that exceeds the cumulative amount
3 deposited in the Texas Racing Commission fund; and

4 (5) the commission's authority to issue a temporary
5 license to an applicant whose application appears to comply with
6 the requirements of law.

7 SECTION 6. Subchapter B, Chapter 2022, Occupations Code, is
8 amended by adding Section 2022.0515 to read as follows:

9 Sec. 2022.0515. GRANTS. The executive director may apply
10 for and receive any grant applicable to the implementation or
11 enforcement of this subtitle or a rule adopted under this subtitle.

12 SECTION 7. Section 2023.053(c), Occupations Code, is
13 amended to read as follows:

14 (c) Any unappropriated money exceeding \$2 million
15 [~~\$750,000~~] that remains in the fund at the close of each state
16 fiscal biennium shall be transferred to the general revenue fund
17 and may be appropriated for any purpose.

18 SECTION 8. Section 2025.001, Occupations Code, is amended
19 by adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

20 (a-1) The commission shall comply with Chapter 53 in the
21 administration of the commission's licensing program.

22 SECTION 9. The following provisions of the Occupations Code
23 are repealed:

24 (1) Section 2023.053(e); and

25 (2) Section 2025.260.

26 SECTION 10. It is the intent of the legislature that the
27 Sunset Advisory Commission review the Texas Lottery Commission

1 during the period in which the Sunset Advisory Commission reviews
2 state agencies abolished in 2025, and this Act controls over Senate
3 Bill No. 1659, Acts of the 88th Legislature, Regular Session, 2023,
4 or any other Act of the 88th Legislature, Regular Session, 2023,
5 that amends Section [467.002](#), Government Code, changing the sunset
6 date of the Texas Lottery Commission to a date other than September
7 1, 2025, without regard to the relative dates of enactment.

8 SECTION 11. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1620 was passed by the House on May 2, 2023, by the following vote: Yeas 138, Nays 4, 1 present, not voting; and that the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 1620 on May 28, 2023, by the following vote: Yeas 129, Nays 9, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1620 was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 24, 2023, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor