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S.B. No. 1340

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the temporary operation of a racetrack extension location.

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

SECTION 1. Section 6.15, Texas Racing Act (Article 179e, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 6.15. RACING AT TEMPORARY LOCATION. After an association has been granted a license to operate a racetrack and before the completion of construction at the designated place for which the license was issued, the commission may, on application by the association, issue a temporary license that permits the association to conduct races at a location in the same county for a period expiring six [~~two~~] years after the date of issuance of the temporary license or on the completion of the permanent facility, whichever occurs first. The commission may set the conditions and standards for issuance of a temporary license and allocation of appropriate race days. An applicant for a temporary license must pay the application fees and must post the bonds required of other licensees before the issuance of a temporary license. After a temporary license has expired, no individual, corporation, or association, nor any individual belonging to a corporation or association which has been granted a temporary license, may get an extension of the temporary license or a new temporary license.

SECTION 2. The Texas Racing Commission shall grant an

1 extension of up to four years for any association currently in  
2 possession of an unexpired temporary license as described in  
3 Section 1 of this Act.

4       SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
5 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
6 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
7 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
8 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.