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S.B. No. 917

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the applicability of the Texas Mass Gatherings Act to
3 certain horse and greyhound races.

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

5 SECTION 1. Chapter 751, Health and Safety Code, is amended
6 by adding Section 751.0021 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 751.0021. APPLICABILITY TO CERTAIN HORSE AND GREYHOUND
8 RACES. (a) This chapter applies to a horse or greyhound race that
9 attracts or is expected to attract at least 100 persons, except that
10 this chapter does not apply if the race is held at a location at
11 which pari-mutuel wagering is authorized under the Texas Racing Act
12 (Article 179e, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes).

13 (b) This section does not legalize any activity prohibited
14 under the Penal Code or other state law.

15 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.