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NOTICE
CALIFORNIA AUTHORITY OF RACING FAIRS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS &
LIVE RACING COMMITTEE
CONCURRENT MEETING
JOHN ALKIRE, CHAIR
11:00 A.M., TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2016

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the California Authority of Racing Fairs' Board of Directors and the Live Racing Committee will commence at 11:00 A.M., Tuesday, November 1, 2016. The meeting will be held at the CARF Conference Room, 1776 Tribute Road, Sacramento, CA 95815.

Public and members of the California Authority of Racing Fairs Board of Directors and Live Racing Committee may also participate from the following locations:

Alameda County Fair
4501 Pleasanton Ave.
Pleasanton, CA 94566

California State Fair
1600 Exposition Blvd.
Sacramento, CA 95815

Antelope Valley Fair
2551 West Ave. H, Suite 102
Lancaster, CA 93536

Monterey County Fair
2004 Fairground Road
Monterey, CA 93940

The Big Fresno Fair
1121 S. Chance Avenue
Fresno, CA 93702



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AGENDA

- I. Date, Time and Location of Next Meeting: December Date to be Determined in Sacramento.
- II. Public Comment.
- III. Approval of Minutes.
- IV. Report, Discussion and Action, if any, on the 2016/17 Legislative Program.
- V. Update, Discussion and Action, if any, on Proposal to CDFA for Allocation of Pari-Mutuel License Fees to CARF's Race Track Safety & Maintenance Program.
- VI. Discussion and Action, if any, on Racing Dates for 2017 and Beyond.
- VII. Discussion and Action, if any, on Vanning & Stabling Agreement.
- VIII. Discussion on Summer Racing Operations and Agency Budget for 2017.
- IX. Update: Board Election.
- X. Executive Director's Report.

**CALIFORNIA AUTHORITY OF RACING FAIRS
Live Racing Committee
Tuesday, October 11, 2016**

MINUTES

A meeting of the California Authority of Racing Fairs (CARF) Live Racing Committee was held at 11:00 A.M., Tuesday, October 11, 2016. The meeting was hosted at the Big Fresno Fair, 1121 Chance Ave., Fresno, California.

CARF Live Racing Committee members attending: John Alkire, Richard Conway, Jerome Hoban and Rick Pickering.

Staff and Guests attending: Christopher Korby, Larry Swartzlander, Richard Scheidt, Tom Doutrich, Heather Haviland, Juliana Gomes, Louie Brown, Debbie Jacobsen, Lauri King, Lance Moyer and John Quiroz.

Agenda Item 1 – Date, Time and Location of Next Meeting. The next CARF Live Racing Committee meeting is scheduled for December in Sacramento.

Agenda Item 2 – Public Comment. Mr. Alkire introduced Big Fresno Fair Director Debbie Jacobsen. Ms. Jacobsen, on behalf of the Board of Directors, management and staff, welcomed the group and encouraged them to enjoy the fairgrounds and visit the new museum.

Mr. Alkire requested that the group take this time to honor Mr. Korby and his contributions to the agency since 1987. Mr. Alkire stated that a small part of Mr. Korby's accomplishments as Executive Director include distributing \$340 million in license fees to fairs and \$294 million in fair satellite commissions, as well as the development and implementation of the CARF Satellite Network, CARF Race Track Safety & Maintenance Program, CARF Consolidated Purse Fund and CARF Out-of-State Recruitment Program.

Mr. Alkire presented Mr. Korby with a bronzed plaque recognizing his decades of superior leadership, impeccable integrity and industry contributions that set the foundation for California horse racing and the entire California satellite racing network. Mr. Alkire requested that the plaque eventually return to the Big Fresno Fair Museum as a permanent remembrance of Mr. Korby's contribution to the fair racing industry. Mr. Korby accepted Mr. Alkire's request, thanked the group and received a standing ovation.

Agenda Item 3 – Approval of Minutes. Mr. Pickering moved to approve the meeting minutes as presented. Mr. Hoban seconded, unanimously approved.

Agenda Item 4 – Report, Discussion and Action, if any, on 2016/17 Legislative Program.

Mr. Brown reported that Sept. 30 was the last day for Governor Brown to sign or veto bills passed by the Legislature. All bills without an urgency clause signed by the Governor take effect January 1, 2017. AB 2011 (Cooper), the statewide stabling and vanning bill, was written with an urgency clause and will take effect immediately. The bill will allow the amount deducted from handle for auxiliary stabling to increase from 1.25-2% statewide, and Northern principals may agree to a different percentage for individual associations and fairs, but only if all parties agree to the differing percentages.

Mr. Brown reported that the Legislature will change significantly in 2017 as the last phase of the old term limits expire. In 2012, voters approved Proposition 28 which allows legislators to serve a maximum of 12 years without regard to whether the years are served in the State Assembly or the State Senate. For the 2017 session, approximately 1/3 of the Assembly will be new, but it will not experience significant turnover again for eight years. This will bring consistency to the Legislature which may prove beneficial for working through complex policy issues.

Mr. Brown reported that legislative staff will meet prior to December to discuss CARF's 2017 legislative strategy.

Mr. Brown reported that AB 2678 (Gray), which would dedicate the state portion of the sales and use tax collected from transactions at fairgrounds, except for Los Angeles, to support small and medium-sized fairs, passed through the Legislature with a strong 65-1 vote. The bill was then held under submission in the Senate Appropriations Committee. Governor Brown vetoed all bills dealing with the loss of revenue to the state of California, which may have applied to AB 2678 had the bill made it to the Governor's desk.

Agenda Item 5 – Discussion and Action, if any, on Racing Dates for 2017 and Beyond.

Mr. Korby expressed appreciation to the Secretary of Food & Agriculture for publically endorsing part of the CARF submitted calendar, specifically the September dates allocated to the Alameda County Fair. This support is very significant in race dates negotiations. Fairs will reconvene to discuss a 2017 strategy for Fair funding.

Mr. Korby reported that the Live Racing Committee spent multiple days in September in discussions with Sonoma County Fair. Sonoma County Fair staff admitted that the third "bonus" week of their meet is not financially viable, but after many hours of negotiations, the parties were not able to reach a consensus on a calendar that could be submitted to the California Horse Racing Board (CHRB). In the end, CARF submitted the calendar adopted by the Racing Committee. The committee continues to support the CARF calendar on the basis that it is balanced and meets the best interests of CARF-member Fairs and most Northern California racing interests. The decision is now in the hands of the CHRB Board.

Mr. Swartzlander provided a recap of the dates meetings that have occurred in Southern California and shared his impressions of how the CHRB Race Dates Committee members may vote. Mr. Korby indicated that the Thoroughbred Owner's of California (TOC) are attempting to conjoin the allocation of race dates to the stabling and vanning agreement.

The group discussed scenarios that are likely to play out during the Oct. 20 CHRB meeting amongst the industry participants. Mr. Pickering asked if the CHRB will have enough Directors for a quorum at the next meeting. Following general discussion all agreed that there would be a quorum for the upcoming CHRB meeting next week.

Agenda Item 6 – Discussion and Action, if any, on Vanning and Stabling Agreement for 2017. Mr. Korby circulated a handout titled *2017 CARF Auxiliary Stabling - Revenue Projections and Scenarios - DRAFT 09-13-2016*.

Mr. Korby stated that Northern California principals met Sept. 30 at the Alameda County Fair to discuss the Northern California Stabling and Vanning Fund. Industry representatives included horsemen, TOC staff and directors, CTT staff, CARF staff and the Golden Gate Fields (GGF) Racing Secretary. The group discussed their respective positions, shared opinions and sought viable solutions.

Mr. Korby reported that the original 2016 agreement between CARF and GGF went from Jan. 1 through Oct. 15 and would have eliminated any deficit that the Stabling and Vanning Fund is carrying. As part of the GGF fall racing license, TOC negotiated to have GGF extend payments to Pleasanton through the end of the year, thereby creating an even larger deficit.

Mr. Korby stated that CARF cannot support a stabling and vanning agreement that continues deficit spending if a sufficient number of stalls is available at GGF to accommodate the active runners.

Mr. Korby reported that at the Sept. 30 meeting, a trainer and TOC Director brought up the concept of horsemen contributing to the Stabling and Vanning Fund to keep auxiliary stabling open (i.e. stall rent). Mr. Korby stated that CARF could look favorably on a plan that utilizes contributions from horsemen in a manner that eliminates the fund deficit. Mr. Korby would like to extend the support of that concept, or any new mechanism that allows the fund to remain solvent while keeping both training facilities open, to TOC and CTT staff.

Agenda Item 7 – Update, Discussion and Action, if any, on Proposal to CDFA for Allocation of Pari-Mutuel License Fees to CARF's Race Track Safety Program. Mr. Brown reported that CDFA is reviewing the CARF draft of an agreement to direct license fee money generated by live racing fairs back to health and safety issues at fairs which conduct horse racing, specifically the CARF Race Track Safety & Maintenance Program. Mr. Brown reported that he and Mr. Korby met with Undersecretary Jim Houston on Aug. 8 and they received assurance that the 2016 funds will be redistributed back to CARF. The agreements are

currently in the General Counsel's office and should be delivered to CARF by the end of the week.

Mr. Quiroz reiterated that CDFA is drafting the agreement and intends to distribute those license fees back to CARF, but is working through the bureaucratic process of figuring out a mechanism to return the funds.

Agenda Item 8 – Executive Director’s Report. None.

Respectfully submitted,
Heather Haviland

CALIFORNIA AUTHORITY OF RACING FAIRS
Board of Directors
Tuesday, October 11, 2016

MINUTES

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Staff and Guests attending: Christopher Korby, Larry Swartzlander, Richard Scheidt, Tom Doutrich, Heather Haviland, Juliana Gomes, Louie Brown and John Quiroz. Joining by conference call: Raechelle Gibbons and Jamie Matthews.

Agenda Item 1 – Date, Time and Location of Next Meeting. The next CARF Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for December in Sacramento.

Agenda Item 2 – Public Comment. None.

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Agenda Item 6 – Audit Report. Ms. Matthews presented the results of the CARF audit for year ending on December 31, 2015. The majority of the audit field work was completed in mid to late May 2016. Mr. Matthews reviewed the CARF financial statements and recapped highlights from the management discussion and analysis letter.

Ms. Matthews reported that CARF management was cooperative and well-prepared throughout the audit process. The audit found that the financial statements included in the audit report present fairly the financial position of the agency and fall in accordance with all generally accepted accounting principles. As in previous audit reports, control deficiencies exist in the lack of sufficient audit evidence to guarantee the revenue from Advance Deposit Wagering (ADW)

providers. These findings are consistent with prior years, but require Gilbert & Associates to issue a qualified opinion in the CARF audit. Ms. Matthews reviewed changes in newly adopted accounting principle in regards to current year GASB implementation. Ms. Matthews also went over other supplementary information, analysis and recommendations included in the report. Ms. Matthews reiterated that Ms. Gibbons and her staff were extremely well prepared and this was a very clean audit.

Mr. Hoban moved to accept the 2015 CARF Audit Report as presented. Mr. Conway seconded, unanimously approved.

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Agenda Item 8 - Progress Report on Management Transition Plan Adopted by CARF Board. Mr. Korby reported that the meeting packets include a one page summary of the actions taken by the CARF Board of Directors in June to make adjustments in personnel in anticipation of his departure. Mr. Swartzlander is designated Interim Executive Director effective Nov. 1, 2016. Mr. Korby welcomed Mr. Scheidt to the staff, reported that Ms. Haviland's responsibilities have been expanded and added that Mr. Doutrich and Ms. Gomes will continue to play critical staff roles. Mr. Korby reported that the transition is progressing smoothly and he is confident operations will continue seamlessly.

Agenda Item 9 - Financials. Mr. Alkire stated that financials are included in the meeting packets and Ms. Gibbons is available to answer questions. No questions at this time.

Agenda Item 10 – Executive Director's Report. Mr. Korby reported that he received an e-mail from CHRBS staff indicating that the 20-mile satellite protective radius will once again be a topic of conversation in coming months.

Respectfully submitted,
Heather Haviland

**CA Authority of Racing Fairs
10/25/2016**

[AB 1355](#) (Gray D) Gaming: Tribal Nation Grant Fund.

Current Text: Chaptered: 8/17/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 2/27/2015

Status: 8/17/2016-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter No. 118, Statutes of 2016

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

Summary: Would specify that the Tribal Nation Grant Fund reflects a vision of facilitating the development of tribal institutions and improving the quality of life of tribal people throughout the state. This bill contains other existing laws.

Organization	Position	Priority	Assigned	Subject
CARF	Watch			

[AB 1573](#) (Gray D) Gambling: sports wagering.

Current Text: Introduced: 1/4/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 1/4/2016

Status: 8/31/2016-Failed Deadline pursuant to Joint Rule 61(b)(17). (Last location was G.O. on 2/1/2016)

Desk	Dead	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

Summary: Would enact the California Interactive Sports Wagering Consumer Protection Act, which would authorize the owner or operator of a card room that holds a state gambling license, a racing association or racing fair with a current license, or a federally recognized California Indian tribe that operates a gaming facility pursuant to a facility license issued in accordance with a tribal gaming ordinance, to accept and facilitate wagering on a sports event, as defined, by any legal system or method of wagering, including, but not limited to, exchange wagering, parlays, over-under, moneyline, and straight bets, by applying to the Department of Justice for a license and authorization to conduct sports wagering, as defined.

Organization	Position	Priority	Assigned	Subject
CARF	Watch			

[AB 1729](#) (Waldron R) Gaming Policy Advisory Committee.

Current Text: Amended: 3/15/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 1/28/2016

Status: 4/22/2016-Failed Deadline pursuant to Joint Rule 61(b)(5). (Last location was A. G.O. on 3/16/2016)

Desk	Dead	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

Summary: Current law requires the California Gambling Control Commission to establish a 10-member Gaming Policy Advisory Committee for the purpose of discussing matters of controlled gambling regulatory policy and other relevant gambling-related issues. The committee is composed of representatives of controlled gambling licensees and members of the general public in equal numbers. This bill would increase the membership of the committee from 10 to 12 members.

Organization	Position	Priority	Assigned	Subject
CARF	Watch			

[AB 1786](#) (Cooley D) Horse racing: the California Standardbred Sires Stakes Program.

Current Text: Chaptered: 8/30/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 2/4/2016

Status: 8/29/2016-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 223, Statutes of 2016.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

Summary: The Horse Racing Law establishes the California Standardbred Sires Stakes Program for standardbred horses bred in California, and provides that an offspring of a registered California standardbred stallion standing in California during an entire breeding season is eligible to race in the program. This bill would expand eligibility to race in the program to include the offspring of registered standardbred stallions standing in Iowa, Maine, Michigan, Minnesota, or Wisconsin, or the Province of Alberta, Canada. This bill contains other related provisions and other current laws.

Organization	Position	Priority	Assigned	Subject
CARF	Watch			

[AB 1890](#)**(Dodd D) Discrimination: equal pay: state contracting.****Current Text:** Vetoed: 9/30/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)**Introduced:** 2/11/2016**Status:** 9/30/2016-Vetoed by the Governor

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

Summary: Would enact the Equal Pay for Equal Work Act of 2016. The bill would require an employer with a contract with the state that amounts to \$50,000 or more that either is required by federal regulations to submit an EEO-1 report to the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) or has 100 or more employees in the state to submit a nondiscrimination program to the department and to submit periodic reports of its compliance with that program, no more than annually, on a schedule to be determined by the department. The bill would require the department to make these programs and reports available to the Commission on the Status of Women and Girls.

Governor's Message: I am returning Assembly Bill 1890 without my signature. This bill requires a firm with a state contract valued at \$50,000 or more that is required to submit an EEO-1 report to the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission to also annually submit that report, or a nondiscrimination program meeting specified requirements, to the Department of Fair Employment and Housing. The Office of Compliance Programs within the Department of Fair Employment and Housing already has access to EEO-1 reports submitted to the federal government by California employers. Additionally, and as I stated last year, the Department currently requires all state contractors to develop and implement a nondiscrimination program and has broad authority to investigate, approve, certify, decertify, monitor and enforce the obligation of state contractors not to discriminate. For these reasons, I do not believe this bill is necessary. Sincerely, Edmund G. Brown Jr.

Organization	Position	Priority	Assigned	Subject
CARF	Watch			

[AB 2011](#)**(Cooper D) Thoroughbred racing: northern, central, and southern zones: auxiliary offsite stabling, training, and vanning.****Current Text:** Chaptered: 9/24/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)**Introduced:** 2/16/2016**Status:** 9/24/2016-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 562, Statutes of 2016.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

Summary: The Horse Racing Law requires, when satellite wagering is conducted on thoroughbred races at associations or fairs in the northern, central, or southern zone, that an amount not to exceed 1.25% of the total amount handled by all of those satellite wagering facilities be deducted from the funds otherwise allocated for distribution as commissions, purses, and owners' premiums and instead be distributed to an organization formed and operated by thoroughbred racing associations, fairs conducting thoroughbred racing, and the organization representing thoroughbred horsemen and horsewomen, to administer a fund to provide reimbursement for offsite stabling at California Horse Racing Board-approved auxiliary training facilities for additional stalls beyond the number of usable stalls the association or fair is required to make available and maintain, and for the vanning of starters from these additional stalls on racing days for thoroughbred horses. This bill would increase the amount that is required to be deducted to an amount not to exceed 2% in the northern, central, and southern zones, and would provide that this amount in the northern zone, if adjusted by the board, may be a different percentage of the handle for different associations and fairs, but only if all the associations and fairs agree to the differing percentages.

Organization	Position	Priority	Assigned	Subject
CARF	Sponsor		Louie	

[AB 2102](#)**(Hernández, Roger D) Tribal gaming: Indian Gaming Local Community Benefit Committee.****Current Text:** Amended: 3/15/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)**Introduced:** 2/17/2016**Status:** 7/1/2016-Failed Deadline pursuant to Joint Rule 61(b)(13). (Last location was G.O. on 5/26/2016)

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Dead	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

Summary: Would require each Indian Gaming Local Community Benefit Committee to adopt and approve a Conflict of Interest Code pursuant to specified provisions. The bill would require any existing Conflict of Interest Code to be reviewed and amended as necessary to bring it into compliance with these requirements. By increasing the duties of local government entities, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

Organization	Position	Priority	Assigned	Subject
CARF	Watch			

[AB 2218](#) (Burke D) Gambling: licenses.

Current Text: Vetoed: 9/30/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 2/18/2016

Status: 9/30/2016-Vetoed by the Governor

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary: Current law requires every person who, by order of the California Gambling Control Commission, is required to apply for a gambling license or a finding of suitability to file an application within 45 calendar days after receipt of the order. This bill would instead require the application described above to be filed within 60 calendar days after receipt of an order of the commission.

Governor's Message: To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 2218 without my signature. This bill provides the owners of the Hollywood Park Casino three additional years to divest of its interest in the card club or the SLS Casino in Nevada. The City of Champions Revitalization Project will continue to bring enormous economic benefits to Inglewood regardless of whether the cardroom is sold next year or in 2020. If our gambling laws are based on outdated policies or assumptions, we should thoughtfully examine those laws and amend them so that all participants in the industry receive the same benefits and opportunities.

Organization	Position	Priority	Assigned	Subject
CARF	Watch			

[AB 2226](#) (Bigelow R) Horse racing: fairs.

Current Text: Amended: 8/19/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 2/18/2016

Status: 8/31/2016-Failed Deadline pursuant to Joint Rule 61(b)(17). (Last location was APPR. on 8/24/2016)

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1st House				2nd House							

Summary: The Horse Racing Law permits the California Horse Racing Board to authorize an association licensed to conduct a racing meeting to also operate a satellite wagering facility at its racetrack inclosure, under specified conditions that differ between the northern zone and the central and southern zones, and provides specific guidelines for the operation and location of these facilities. This bill would authorize a fair to contract with 2 or more fairs that are licensed to conduct thoroughbred meetings within the northern zone for the operation and management of a satellite wagering facility.

Organization	Position	Priority	Assigned	Subject
CARF	Sponsor		Louie	

Notes 1: 7/19/16 KSC letter to Sen Appropriations Cmte; Debra Cooper, Cmte Consultant

6/09/16 KSC letter to Sen Gov't Org Cmte; Felipe Lopez, Cmte Consultant

3/22/16 KSC letter to Asm Gov't Org Cmte, Asm Bigelow

[AB 2287](#) (Lackey R) Theft: shoplifting.

Current Text: Amended: 6/15/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 2/18/2016

Status: 7/1/2016-Failed Deadline pursuant to Joint Rule 61(b)(13). (Last location was PUB. S. on 6/21/2016)

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Summary: The current Safe Neighborhoods and Schools Act, enacted as an initiative statute by Proposition 47, as approved by the electors at the November 4, 2014, statewide general election, makes the theft of property that does not exceed \$950 in value petty theft, and makes that crime punishable as a misdemeanor, with certain exceptions. The California Constitution authorizes the Legislature to amend or repeal an initiative statute by another statute that becomes effective when approved by the electors. This bill would amend that initiative statute by making it grand theft, which is punishable as a misdemeanor or a felony, to commit shoplifting if the aggregate value of the property taken from a single commercial establishment is nine hundred fifty dollars (\$950) or more in any 180-day period.

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CARF	Watch			

[AB 2543](#) (Gordon D) State buildings: efficiency and conservation.

Current Text: Amended: 6/20/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 2/19/2016

Status: 8/12/2016-Failed Deadline pursuant to Joint Rule 61(b)(14). (Last location was APPR. on

8/11/2016)

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Dead	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

Summary: Would require the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, in consultation with the Department of General Services, to develop a plan to exploit cost-effective energy efficiency and water conservation measures in state facilities. This bill would require the department, in consultation with the commission, to submit recommendations on energy efficiency and water conservation goals to the Governor and the Legislature. This bill would require the department, in consultation with the commission, to make these recommendations no later than January 1, 2018.

Organization	Position	Priority	Assigned	Subject
CARF	Watch			

[AB 2619](#) (Gray D) Horse racing: quarter horse races.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/19/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 2/19/2016

Status: 8/31/2016-Failed Deadline pursuant to Joint Rule 61(b)(17). (Last location was INACTIVE FILE on 8/30/2016)

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Summary: Would authorize the California Horse Racing Board to authorize a licensed quarter horse racing association that is conducting a live racing meeting in this state to accept wagers on a quarter horse stakes race with a purse equal to or greater than \$100,000. The bill would also make nonsubstantive changes.

Organization	Position	Priority	Assigned	Subject
CARF	Watch			

[AB 2808](#) (Gipson D) Horse racing: exchange wagering: operative extension.

Current Text: Chaptered: 9/13/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 2/19/2016

Status: 9/13/2016-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 335, Statutes of 2016.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary: Current law requires any racing association or racing fair receiving distributions from any exchange provider's exchange revenues to distribute a portion of that revenue to the official registering agency in a specified manner. Current law makes these exchange wagering provisions inoperative on May 1, 2016, and repeals them on January 1, 2017. Violations of the Horse Racing Law are generally misdemeanors. This bill would extend those inoperative and repeal dates to May 1, 2020, and January 1, 2021, respectively. The bill, by extending these requirements, the violation of which is a crime, would impose a state-mandated local program.

Organization	Position	Priority	Assigned	Subject
CARF	Watch			

[AB 2863](#) (Gray D) Gambling: Internet poker.

Current Text: Amended: 8/18/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 2/19/2016

Status: 8/31/2016-Failed Deadline pursuant to Joint Rule 61(b)(17). (Last location was THIRD READING on 8/18/2016)

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Dead	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary: Would be known as the Internet Poker Consumer Protection Act of 2016 and establish a framework to authorize intrastate Internet poker, as specified. The bill would authorize eligible entities to apply for a 7-year license to operate an authorized poker Web site offering the play of authorized Internet poker games to registered players within California, as specified. The bill would require that the license be automatically renewed every 7 years upon application, as specified.

Organization	Position	Priority	Assigned	Subject
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Notes 1:

4/21/16 Coalition letter sent to A/ Gray; A/ Governmental Organization Cmte

[AB 2914](#) (Committee on Governmental Organization) Gaming: Indian Gaming Revenue Sharing Trust Fund.

Current Text: Chaptered: 7/25/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 3/17/2016

Status: 7/25/2016-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 110, Statutes of 2016.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary: Current law establishes the Indian Gaming Revenue Sharing Trust Fund within the State Treasury for the receipt and deposit of moneys derived from gaming device license fees that are received from tribes pursuant to the terms of tribal-state gaming compacts for the purpose of making distributions to noncompact tribes. Current law provides that moneys in that fund are available to the California Gambling Control Commission, upon appropriation by the Legislature, for the purpose of making those distributions in accordance with plans specified in tribal-state gaming compacts. This bill would clarify that the purpose of the fund is for making distributions to eligible recipient Indian tribes.

Organization **Position** **Priority** **Assigned** **Subject**
 CARF Watch

AB 2915 (Garcia, Eduardo D) Tribal gaming: compact ratification.

Current Text: Chaptered: 8/30/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 3/17/2016

Status: 8/29/2016-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 240, Statutes of 2016.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary: Would ratify the tribal-state gaming compact entered into between the State of California and the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians, executed on August 4, 2016. The bill would provide that, in deference to tribal sovereignty, certain actions are not projects for the purposes of CEQA. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization **Position** **Priority** **Assigned** **Subject**
 CARF Watch

SB 905 (Bates R) Alcoholic beverage control: club licenses.

Current Text: Chaptered: 9/14/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 1/25/2016

Status: 9/14/2016-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 363, Statutes of 2016.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary: Current law authorizes the holder of a club license to exercise the rights of an on-sale general licensee, but limits sale and service of alcoholic beverages to members of the club and their guests. Current law defines different clubs in this context. This bill would define a club, for the purposes described above, to also include a nonprofit umbrella organization established to provide a central meeting location, resources, and services for veterans, including those on active duty, and that owns or leases, operates, and maintains a facility for these purposes.

Organization **Position** **Priority** **Assigned** **Subject**
 CARF Watch

SB 1019 (Berryhill R) Indian gaming compacts.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/11/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 2/11/2016

Status: 5/6/2016-Failed Deadline pursuant to Joint Rule 61(b)(6). (Last location was RLS. on 2/25/2016)

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Summary: Current law expressly ratifies specified tribal-state gaming compacts entered in accordance with the federal Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988. Current law further sets forth the procedures by which a materially identical compact entered into between the State of California and any other federally recognized Indian tribe may be ratified. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to those provisions.

Organization **Position** **Priority** **Assigned** **Subject**
 CARF Watch

SB 1240 (Hall D) Horse racing: thoroughbred racing: northern, central, and southern zones: auxiliary offsite stabling, training, and vanning.

Current Text: Amended: 4/5/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 2/18/2016

Status: 8/31/2016-Failed Deadline pursuant to Joint Rule 61(b)(17). (Last location was INACTIVE FILE on 8/29/2016)

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Summary: The Horse Racing Law requires, when satellite wagering is conducted on thoroughbred races at associations or fairs in the northern, central, or southern zone, that an amount not to exceed 1.25% of the total amount handled by all of those satellite wagering facilities be deducted from the funds to be distributed to an organization formed to represent thoroughbred horsemen and horsewomen, to administer a fund to provide reimbursement for offsite stabling at California Horse Racing Board-approved auxiliary training facilities for additional stalls. This bill would increase the amount that is required to be deducted to an amount not to exceed 2% in the northern, central, and southern zones, and would provide that this amount in the northern zone, if adjusted by the board, may be a different percentage of the handle for different associations and fairs, but only if all the associations and fairs agree to the differing percentages.

Organization	Position	Priority	Assigned	Subject
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SB 1313 (Hall D) Tribal gaming: compact ratification.

Current Text: Chaptered: 9/12/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 2/19/2016

Status: 9/12/2016-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 310, Statutes of 2016.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary: Would ratify the tribal-state gaming compact entered into between the State of California and the Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation, executed on August 4, 2016. The bill would provide that, in deference to tribal sovereignty, certain actions are not projects for the purposes of CEQA. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Position	Priority	Assigned	Subject
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