

January 31, 2005

**S 9. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT HORSE RACE. TO ALLOW CERTAIN BOARDS OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO ISSUE ORDINANCES PERMITTING LIMITED HORSE RACING FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PURPOSES.** Enacts new GS 153A-451 authorizing county commissioners in certain counties to permit pari-mutuel wagering on horse races. Applies only to those counties that: (1) have been, for the previous three years, one of the five lowest wage counties as measured by the NC Dep't of Commerce's list of "County Wage Standards (Private);" and (2) have a racetrack which has conducted horse races for the previous three years. Requires that county adopt certain ordinances concerning the operation of races and that 20% of track wagers be used to pay race expenses, and, if funds remain, for economic development. Act expires three years from effective date.

**Intro. by Weinstein.**

Ref. to Commerce

GS 153A

February 22, 2005

**S 9. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT HORSE RACE.** Intro. 1/31/05. Senate committee substitute changes 1st edition to clarify that county authority to allow and regulate horse racing under GS 153A-451 exists notwithstanding any other provision of law. Makes technical change.