



**ASSEMBLY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RACING AND WAGERING
ASSEMBLY STANDING COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, JOB CREATION,
COMMERCE, AND INDUSTRY**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

SUBJECT: New York's horse racing industry

PURPOSE: To receive an update on the status of New York's horse racing industry

Friday
November 21, 2025
11AM
Legislative Office Building
Hearing Room C
Albany, New York

ORAL TESTIMONY WILL BE BY INVITATION ONLY

New York State has long been a national leader in horse racing, home to premier venues that host thoroughbred and standardbred racing throughout the state. These venues help to sustain New York's economy by creating job opportunities, supporting agriculture, attracting tourism, and drawing a wagering handle from across the country and around the globe. According to the 2023 New York State Equine Industry Economic Impact Study, the equine industry generates \$7 billion in economic impact and supports over 52,300 jobs throughout the state, contributing to the local economies of all 62 counties in New York. As the gambling industry continues to grow and evolve, it is important to understand how such changes may impact the horse racing industry and its role as a major economic driver in the state.

The Assembly Standing Committees on Racing and Wagering and Economic Development, Job Creation, Commerce, and Industry seek to examine the current status of New York's horse racing industry and its economic impact throughout the state. The Committees seek testimony from stakeholders concerning the status of both thoroughbred and standardbred racing, with a focus on how the industry may promote long-term sustainability and remain a vital part of New York's economy for years to come.

Persons invited to present pertinent testimony to the Committees at the above hearing should complete and return the enclosed reply form as soon as possible. It is important that the reply form be fully completed and returned so that persons may be notified in the event of emergency postponement or cancellation.

Oral testimony will be limited to ten (10) minutes. In preparing the order of witnesses, the Committee will attempt to accommodate individual requests to speak at particular times in view of special circumstances. These requests should be made on the attached reply form or communicated to the staff as early as possible.

Ten copies of any prepared testimony should be submitted at the hearing registration desk. The Committee would appreciate advance receipt of prepared statements.

Attendees and participants at any legislative public hearing should be aware that these proceedings are video recorded. Their likenesses may be included in any video coverage shown on television or the internet.

In order to further publicize these hearings, please inform interested parties and organizations of the Committees' interest in hearing testimony from all sources.

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PUBLIC HEARING REPLY FORM

Persons invited to present testimony at the public hearing on New York’s horse racing industry are requested to complete this reply form **no later than Wednesday, November 19, 2025**, and email or fax it to:

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- ☐ I plan to attend the following public hearing on New York’s horse racing industry to be conducted by the Assembly Standing Committees on Racing and Wagering and Economic Development, Job Creation, Commerce, and Industry on November 21, 2025.
- ☐ I have been invited to make a public statement at the hearing. My statement will be limited to ten minutes, and I will answer any questions which may arise. I will provide 10 copies of my prepared statement.
- ☐ I will address my remarks to the following subjects:

- ☐ I do not plan to attend the above hearing.
- ☐ I would like to be added to the Committee mailing list for notices and reports.
- ☐ I would like to be removed from the Committee mailing list.
- ☐ I will require assistance and/or handicapped accessibility information. **Please specify the type of assistance required:** _____

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