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REVISION 8

A proposal to revise the State Constitution by the Constitution
Revision Commission of Florida.

A proposed revision relating to ending dog racing;
creating new sections in Article X and Article XII of
the State Constitution to prohibit the racing of, and
wagering on, greyhounds and other dogs after a
specified date.

Be It Proposed by the Constitution Revision Commission of
Florida:

A new section is added to Article X of the State
Constitution to read:

ARTICLE X
MISCELLANEOUS

Prohibition on racing of and wagering on greyhounds or
other dogs.-The humane treatment of animals is a fundamental
value of the people of the State of Florida. After December 31,
2020, a person authorized to conduct gaming or pari-mutuel
operations may not race greyhounds or any member of the *Canis
Familiaris* subspecies in connection with any wager for money or
any other thing of value in this state, and persons in this
state may not wager money or any other thing of value on the
outcome of a live dog race occurring in this state. The failure
to conduct greyhound racing or wagering on greyhound racing
after December 31, 2018, does not constitute grounds to revoke



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or deny renewal of other related gaming licenses held by a person who is a licensed greyhound permitholder on January 1, 2018, and does not affect the eligibility of such permitholder, or such permitholder's facility, to conduct other pari-mutuel activities authorized by general law. By general law, the legislature shall specify civil or criminal penalties for violations of this section and for activities that aid or abet violations of this section.

A new section is added to Article XII of the State Constitution to read:

ARTICLE XII
SCHEDULE

Prohibition on racing of or wagering on greyhounds or other dogs.-The amendment to Article X, which prohibits the racing of or wagering on greyhound and other dogs, and the creation of this section, shall take effect upon the approval of the electors.

BE IT FURTHER PROPOSED that the following statement be placed on the ballot:

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT
ARTICLE X, NEW SECTION
ARTICLE XII, NEW SECTION

ENDS DOG RACING.-Phases out commercial dog racing in connection with wagering by 2020. Other gaming activities are not affected. _____