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SB 204 Engrossed

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Present law provides that the Louisiana State Racing Commission (LSRC) has the specific duty to set the dates during which any race meetings may be conducted in Louisiana, including dates which limit racing at particular tracks to quarter horses only.

Present law provides that on or before May first and Sept. first, after receipt of applications from the various licensed racing associations, LSRC shall convene to consider the refusal or granting of licenses to conduct the race meetings applied for.

Proposed law retains the application process for licensed race meetings, but provides that LSRC shall assign dates for all race meetings at each track and license in accordance therewith and shall set a minimum number of live races per race day. Authorizes LSRC to amend an application, or any included race dates, or assign dates different than that included in the application for any reason that it considers sufficient, including but not limited to the following:

- (1) Reducing and adding to the number of race days specified in the application by up to ten percent.
- (2) Making every effort to reduce conflicting or overlapping live race meeting dates for the tracks in this state.

Effective July 1, 2021, and applicable to race meetings held on and after October 1, 2021.

(Amends R.S. 4:147(1) and 158(B)(2))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Judiciary B to the original bill

1. Changes the board's authority regarding the application from authority to set dates to authority to amend application in limited ways.