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A BILL  
TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

Relating to the Town of White Hall in Lowndes County;  
to allow the authorization of pari-mutuel wagering on  
simulcast past events and live horse and dog races under  
certain conditions.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. As used in this act, the following words  
have the following meanings:

(1) COUNCIL. The Town Council of the Town of White Hall  
in Lowndes County.

(2) LICENSEE. A person or entity licensed by the  
council to conduct charitable bingo pursuant to Sections  
43A-2.00 or 43A-2.01 of the Constitution of Alabama of 2022,  
with the mailing address of 6999 Highway 80 West, Hayneville,  
Alabama 36040.

(3) SIMULCAST. Televised or broadcast by other  
electronic means.

Section 2. The council may authorize the licensee to  
conduct pari-mutuel wagering on simulcast past events and live  
horse and greyhound races.

Section 3. (a) The council shall adopt rules specifying



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29 the conditions under which the licensee, as part of its  
30 licensed activity, may cause simulcast programming of  
31 pari-mutuel events, including both past events and live horse  
32 racing and greyhound racing, held at racetracks located  
33 outside the state to be transmitted for public viewing to the  
34 licensee and there made the subject of pari-mutuel wagering.

35 (b) Subject to the exceptions as the council may  
36 approve by rule in order to satisfy applicable requirements of  
37 federal law, all pari-mutuel wagering with respect to racing  
38 events that are the subject of simulcast programming shall be  
39 subject to the rules of the council governing pari-mutuel  
40 wagering.

41 (c) The council shall be entitled to no revenues from  
42 the simulcast programming of racing events other than the  
43 following:

44 (1) The commission horse wagering fee due with respect  
45 to that part of the horse racing handle wagered in simulcast  
46 horse racing events by bettors placing bets at the facility in  
47 the jurisdiction of the council.

48 (2) The commission greyhound wagering fee due with  
49 respect to that part of the greyhound wagering handle wagered  
50 on simulcast greyhound racing events by bettors placing bets  
51 at the facility in the jurisdiction of the council.

52 (d) (1) If permitted by federal law and made possible by  
53 contractual arrangements with the operator of the racetrack  
54 that originates the simulcast programming, the licensee may  
55 conduct pari-mutuel wagering on past events and live horse  
56 racing or greyhound racing events simulcast to the facility in



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57 the municipal jurisdiction of the council from locations  
58 outside the state.

59 (2) When conducting pari-mutuel wagering under  
60 subdivision (1), the pari-mutuel pools for the wagering may be  
61 limited to bets made by bettors placing bets at the facility  
62 located in the jurisdiction of the council or, alternatively,  
63 the pari-mutuel pools may include bets made by bettors placing  
64 bets at the facility that conducts the simulcast event, as  
65 well as bets made by bettors placing bets at one or more  
66 locations outside the state; provided that to the extent  
67 bettors placing bets at the facility located in the  
68 jurisdiction of the council participate in the pari-mutuel  
69 pools, the total amount wagered by the bettors shall be  
70 administered in accordance with the rules of the council.

71 Section 4. Nothing contained in this act shall be  
72 construed to authorize or make lawful "off-track betting" or  
73 wagering or gambling of any kind at any location in the state  
74 other than at the facility licensed by the council. All laws  
75 of the state, whether local or general, and all ordinances of  
76 any political subdivision thereof, that prohibit, restrict, or  
77 regulate wagering or gambling of any kind outside the  
78 jurisdiction of the council shall not be affected by this act,  
79 and shall remain in full force and effect.

80 Section 5. This act shall become effective on the first  
81 day of the third month following its passage and approval by  
82 the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.