



ASSEMBLY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RACING AND WAGERING

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

SUBJECT: Equine Doping

PURPOSE: To examine equine doping in New York State.

Albany, New York

December 19, 2024

10:00 a.m.

Hearing Room C

Legislative Office Building

Equine doping involves the use of performance-enhancing drugs for use in professional horse racing. Drug testing mechanisms are in place for Thoroughbred and Standardbred horseracing through both the New York State Gaming Commission and the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority's nationwide Anti-Doping and Medication Control (ADMC) Program, however, many drugs often go undetected. This hearing will examine the effectiveness of the current system for the testing and prevention of equine doping as well as invite discussion as to whether changes are needed to further address the use of these drugs in professional horse racing. The Committee is interested in learning more about how to improve current drug testing and prevention for equine doping in the State of New York.

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J. Gary Pretlow
Member of Assembly
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Committee on Racing and Wagering

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