

# The Greyhound Protection Act

## will prohibit dog racing nationwide



### About the Greyhound Protection Act

H.R. 3335 prohibits all forms of gambling on greyhound racing. It also prohibits live lure training, a practice in which young greyhounds are encouraged to chase and maul small bait animals to death.

- The Greyhound Protection Act is endorsed by nearly 250 animal protection organizations spanning fifteen countries.
- Commercial dog racing is a dying industry, and now exists in only three U.S. states. By the end of 2022, only two greyhound racetracks will exist nationwide, both in West Virginia.
- Delaware North, the company that owns these two final dog tracks, is neutral on H.R. 3335.



### Greyhound racing is cruel and inhumane

Greyhounds deserve the same protections as other dogs.

- Racing greyhounds endure lives of confinement, spending 20-23 hours a day in stacked cages.
- Since 2008, over 16,000 injuries and 1,000 deaths have been documented at American tracks.
- Since 2020, four greyhound farms in four states have been documented sacrificing rabbits in cruel live lure training exercises.

### American dollars should not be used to prop up foreign dog tracks

Foreign dog tracks are now working to capitalize on the end of greyhound racing in the U.S.

- In foreign jurisdictions, thousands of greyhounds are killed each year as failed racers or unwanted surplus, known in the industry as "wastage."
- Greyhounds are overbred, and there are not enough homes available for survivors. Volunteers work tirelessly to save as many dogs as possible.
- A 2021 UK Parliamentary petition to prohibit greyhound racing garnered more than 100,000 signatures, triggering a debate in Parliament.

### Greyhound racing goes against our values

Greyhound racing is illegal in 41 states. The amount wagered on greyhound racing declines each year, as other forms of gaming increase in popularity.

- In 2018, Florida voters voted to prohibit betting on greyhounds by a 69-31% margin, shuttering twelve dog tracks in America's biggest and most historic dog racing state.
- Massachusetts voters voted to outlaw greyhound racing in 2008.
- In West Virginia, over 80% of voters do not want greyhound racing to be subsidized. Currently, \$17 million in casino profits are diverted to sponsor dog racing operations each year.

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