#### RULE

# Office of the Governor Division of Administration Racing Commission

Disability Accommodations (LAC 35:I.322)

In accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:950 et seq., and through the authority granted in R.S. 42:14 and R.S. 42:17.2.1, notice is hereby given that the Racing Commission formally adopts LAC 35:I.322 pertaining to it accessibility during open meetings.

Act 393 of the 2023 regular session mandates that the State Racing Commission adopt rules for public participation and member participation for those with a disability recognized by the Americans with Disability Act. The following Rule allows for access to open meetings held by the State Racing Commission. This Rule will accommodate participation on an individual basis by: members of the public with a disability, designated caregivers of such persons, and participant board members with a disability who request accommodation. This Rule is hereby adopted on the day of promulgation.

## Title 35 HORSE RACING Part I. General Provisions

### Chapter 3. General Rules

### §322. Disability Accommodations

- A. People with disabilities are defined as any of the following:
- 1. a member of the public with a disability recognized by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA);
  - 2. a designated caregiver of such a person; or
  - 3. a participant member of the agency with an ADA-qualifying disability.
- B. the written public notice for an open meeting, as required by R.S. 42:19 shall, include the name, telephone number and email address of the agency representative to whom a disability accommodation may be submitted.
- C. the requestor shall be provided with an accommodation for participation as soon as possible following receipt of the request, but no later than the start of the scheduled meeting.
- 1. Requestor can submit a written letter addressed to executive director prior to the scheduled meeting that:
  - a. states requestor's concerns or questions to be addressed by commission;
  - b. will be read aloud by executive director during the meeting.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with Act 393 of the 2023 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Racing Commission, LR 50:

Stephen Landry

**Executive Director** 

Date