

# Please Co-Sponsor the Greyhound Protection Act



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## About the Greyhound Protection Act

The Greyhound Protection Act prohibits greyhound racing in the United States. It also outlaws remote wagering on greyhound races simulcast from foreign countries, and prevents the shipment of greyhounds for the purpose of dog racing.

- The Greyhound Protection Act is endorsed by over 250 animal protection organizations spanning fifteen countries.
- Commercial dog racing is a dying industry, and now exists in only one American state: West Virginia.
- Delaware North, the company that owns these two final dog tracks, is neutral on the bill and supports free-market legislation that would allow its casinos to operate free of dog racing.



## 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 19,000 injuries and 1,000 deaths have been documented at American tracks.
- Since 2020, greyhound breeders 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 pups, 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.
- The dog track in Tijuana, Agua Caliente, maintains no humane standards. American greyhounds are being exported to this track, with U.S. bettors propping up the enterprise.

## Greyhound racing goes against our values

Greyhound racing is illegal in 42 states. The amount wagered on greyhound racing declines each year, as other forms of gaming increase in popularity.

- Since 2022, legislation prohibiting betting on greyhound racing has passed in Colorado, Kansas and Massachusetts.
- 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 each year to keep dog racing operations afloat.

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