

HORSE RACING LAW OF 1995 (EXCERPT)
Act 279 of 1995

431.323 Audits.

Sec. 23. (1) The auditing of pari-mutuel operations at each race meeting shall be performed by a private auditing firm appointed by the state treasurer and approved by the racing commissioner. The expense of pari-mutuel audits shall be paid by the state as a part of the state treasurer's budget. Daily audit reports on each day of pari-mutuel racing shall be forwarded to the racing commissioner and the holder of the race meeting license not later than 2 business days after the day for which the report is made. Within 60 days following each race meeting, at least 3 copies of the pari-mutuel audit report for the entire race meeting shall be forwarded to the racing commissioner and additional copies shall be supplied to the state treasurer and the holder of the race meeting license. The scope of the pari-mutuel audits shall be established in specifications prepared by the state treasurer and approved by the racing commissioner.

(2) The auditors representing the state shall have free and full access to the space or enclosure where the payoff prices are calculated, to the rooms and enclosures where the totalisator equipment is operated, and to the money rooms and cashier terminals, and shall be responsible for verifying the accuracy of the calculations on which are based the payoff prices to the public and amount of racetrack commission, state tax and breakage, and for the amounts withheld by the holder of the race meeting license for payment of uncashed tickets. The auditors at all times shall have full and free access to all pari-mutuel records and all aspects, areas, and functions of the totalisator system, including but not limited to, all hardware, software, input and output data, documents, and files. The auditors may audit internally and externally any or all parts and elements of the totalisator system whether on or off the site of the race meeting grounds. If the records are maintained in a machine-readable form, such as computer tapes or disks, copies shall be made available to the auditors on request. The auditors, in addition to their regular reports, shall make prompt report to the racing commissioner, the state treasurer, and the holder of the race meeting license of any irregularities or discrepancies which they may encounter during their auditing.

(3) In addition to auditing the pari-mutuel operations, the auditors shall include in their final reports the daily attendance figures as supplied by the holder of the race meeting license.

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