

**FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION - RACING DIVISION (631)**  
**2011-13 BIENNIUM - Legislative Recommendation**

**I) AGENCY SUMMARY & REVENUE SOURCES**

**MISSION**

The Commission has sole jurisdiction over thoroughbred horse and greyhound dog racing. The Commission is authorized to grant franchises; approve racing dates; issue permits and licenses; hold hearings and take other action as necessary to supervise, regulate and effectively control the sport of racing in the State of Arkansas.

**TOTAL BIENNIAL BUDGET**

The total budget for the Racing Division is \$1,458,710 the first year and \$1,476,330 the second year of the biennium.

**FUNDING SOURCE**

The budget is funded from General Revenue (Miscellaneous Agencies Fund) and cash funds.

**II) CHANGES/APPROPRIATIONS**

1. The operations appropriation, funded with general revenue for \$1,323,710 the first year and \$1,341,330 the second year of the biennium has a reallocation of \$16,199 to the professional fees line item from the operating expenses (\$13,249) and conference and travel (\$2,950) line items. The reallocation is to allow the contract attorney to handle increases in the legal work relating to the number of appeals the agency receives, and to accommodate any future need to update the rule books governing horse and greyhound racing, and to address any changes in the electronic games of skill.
2. The cash appropriation, funded with cash for \$135,000 each fiscal year has an increase of \$25,000 in the operating expenses and \$5,000 in conference and travel line items, to cover the additional expenses associated with licensing employees at the Oaklawn and Southland Parks.

**III) ADDITIONAL POSITIONS**

Total positions for 2009-2011: 13  
Total positions for 2011-2013: 13  
Increase/ (Decrease): 0

**IV) SPECIAL LANGUAGE**

1. Extra Help - Horse Racing: Authorizes a limited number of employees to work over 1,000 hours per year at specified hourly rates.
2. Extra Help - Dog Racing: Authorizes a limited number of employees to work over 1,000 hours per year at specified hourly rates.
3. The DFA Director shall set a maximum number of racing passes to be printed and issued annually; the number shall not be less than the number printed in 1990.