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DIGEST

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Present law provides that the Louisiana State Racing Commission (LSRC) has the specific duty to set the dates during which any race meetings may be conducted in Louisiana, including dates which limit racing at particular tracks to quarter horses only.

Present law provides that on or before May first and Sept. first, after receipt of applications from the various licensed racing associations, LSRC shall convene to consider the refusal or granting of licenses to conduct the race meetings applied for.

Proposed law retains the application process for licensed race meetings, but provides that LSRC shall assign dates for all race meetings at each track and license in accordance therewith and shall set a minimum number of live races per race day. Authorizes LSRC to deny an application, or any included race dates, or assign dates different than that included in the application for any reason that it considers sufficient.

Effective July 1, 2021, and applicable to race meetings held on and after October 1, 2021.

(Amends R.S. 4:147(1) and 158(B)(2))