



# NCLGS

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF LEGISLATORS FROM GAMING STATES

## The Future of Horse Racing to be Debated at NCLGS Winter Meeting in Fort Lauderdale

**REGISTER TODAY**

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla.: Gaming and racing legislators and regulators will convene in Ft. Lauderdale at the National Council of Legislators from Gaming States (NCLGS) Winter Meeting to examine the current state of the industry and discuss the issues legislators will have to deal with during the 2024 legislative sessions.



Barrett



Cipolla



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Williams

Horse racing nationwide is under pressure from a horse and rider safety perspective and from rapidly expanding gaming options. While there is new federal oversight of racing safety since the implementation of the Horseracing Integrity Safety Authority, pari-mutuel handle is growing rapidly via Historical Horse Racing machines and other unique uses of pari-mutuel methodology for new gaming options. Our experts will review the current state of the industry and discuss pari-mutuel gaming and technological options now available for legislators and regulators to consider. The Committee will be chaired by NCLGS Treasurer and West Virginia Senator Jason Barrett, with presenters including:

- Chris Cipolla, Senior Director, Horse Racing, DraftKings
- Lonny Powell, Chief Executive Officer, Florida Thoroughbred Breeders' and Owners' Association; Member Jockey Club of Saudi Arabia and Equine Authority Technical Committee
- Tom Sage, Executive Director, Nebraska Racing and Gaming Commission
- Paul Williams, Chief Executive Officer, 1/ST TECHNOLOGY

After sessions conclude on Friday, NCLGS registered guests and their spouses and family are invited to join us at Gulfstream Park Racetrack and Casino for an afternoon at the races. Premium seating will be made available in the popular Ten Palms restaurant overlooking the main track and the turf course. A beautiful buffet of gourmet dishes, seafood, and desserts will be served from noon until mid-afternoon. Winner Circle photos and visits to the paddock are in store, plus a full card of world-class thoroughbred racing. The event is sponsored by 1/ST Technology.

[Click here](#) to view the full agenda and to register. **Early bird rates end Tuesday, October 31.** NCLGS has a block of rooms available at the Hilton Fort Lauderdale Marina. Reservations must be made by December 6, 2023, to receive the NCLGS-contracted rate. Rooms in the NCLGS block are limited in number and may sell out so [book your hotel now](#).

NCLGS attendance continues to grow; the recent summer meeting in Denver had an attendance of more than 300 people, including a NCLGS-record of more than 100 legislators and regulators. All NCLGS meetings are open to the public.

NCLGS, founded more than a quarter-century ago, is the only organization of state lawmakers that meets on a regular basis to discuss issues related to gaming. NCLGS neither promotes nor opposes gaming but is focused on proper regulation and promoting best practices in the governance of this important industry.

The four-day conference will include 12 sessions chaired by legislative leaders from around the country. Included in the program will be opening addresses by distinguished VIPs, a luncheon keynote, and two evening networking receptions.

Once again, the Sports Betting Regulators Association (SBRA) will be co-locating at NCLGS. SBRA will host a two-hour session open to all attendees prior to the opening reception on January 3.

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