

**Joint Legislative Hearing
Assembly Governmental Organization and
Senate Governmental Organization Committees**

*Overview of Equine and Human Safety and Welfare Policies and
Procedures within California's Horse Racing Industry*

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3 p.m. or Upon Adjournment of Senate Session
State Capitol, Room 4202

Role of the California Horse Racing Board and Academia:

- Rick Baedeker, Executive Director, California Horse Racing Board
- Dr. Rick Arthur, Equine Medical Director, California Horse Racing Board
- Dr. Heather Knych, Professor of Clinical Veterinary Pharmacology, Kenneth L. Maddy Equine Analytical Chemistry Laboratory at UC Davis

Santa Anita Update and Practices Moving Forward:

- Belinda Stronach, Chairman and President, The Stronach Group
- Dr. Dionne Benson, Chief Veterinary Officer, The Stronach Group

Participants' Perspective:

- Darrell Haire, Western Regional Manager, the Jockeys' Guild
- Mike Smith, Thoroughbred Jockey
- Bob Baffert, Thoroughbred Trainer
- Gary Fenton, Horse Owner and Racing Affairs Chairman, Thoroughbred Owners of California

National Perspective:

- Alex Waldrop, President and CEO, National Thoroughbred Racing Association and Chair, Racing Medication and Testing Consortium (RMTC)
- Craig Fravel, President and CEO, Breeders' Cup Limited

Equine Surfaces and Safety Research:

- Michael "Mick" Peterson, Ph.D., Director of Ag Equine Programs at the University of Kentucky and Executive Director of the Racing Surfaces Testing Laboratory

Thoroughbred Aftercare and Awareness:

- Madeline Auerbach, Founders Chair, California Retirement Management Account (CARMA)

Economic Impact of Horse Racing in California:

- Doug Burge, President, California Thoroughbred Breeders Association
- Rick Pickering, Board Member, California Authority of Racing Fairs
- John Valenzuela, President, Pari-Mutuel Employees Guild of California – SEIU Local 280

Public Comment