

## FINAL STATEMENT OF REASONS

### UPDATED INFORMATIVE DIGEST

There have been no changes in applicable laws or to the effect of the proposed regulation from the laws and effects described in the Notice of Proposed Action.

The California Horse Racing Board (Board) did not hold a public hearing for the adoption of Board Rule 1902, Conduct Detrimental to Horse Racing, as the Board did not receive a written request for a public hearing from any interested person, or his or her authorized representative, at least 15 days prior to the close of the written comment period.

### LOCAL MANDATE DETERMINATION

The adoption of Board Rule 1902 does not impose any mandates on local agencies or school districts.

### SUMMARY AND RESPONSE TO COMMENTS RECEIVED DURING THE ORIGINAL NOTICE PERIOD OF JULY 14, 2023, THROUGH AUGUST 28, 2023

No comments were received.

### SUMMARY AND RESPONSE TO COMMENTS RECEIVED AT THE REGULATORY HEARING

No public hearing was held for the proposed regulatory action, as the Board did not receive a written request for a public hearing from any interested person, or his or her authorized representative, at least 15 days prior to the close of the written comment period.

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### ALTERNATIVE DETERMINATION

The Board has determined that no reasonable alternative would be more effective in carrying out the purpose for which the regulation was proposed, would be as effective and less burdensome to affected private persons than the proposed regulation, or would be more cost-effective to affected private persons and equally effective in implementing the statutory policy or other provision of law. The adoption of Board Rule 1902 will prohibit the presence or participation of licensees at any non-recognized race meeting where racing occurs as well as define a “recognized race meet”, pursuant to Board Rule 1420 (u) and “racing”, pursuant to Board Rule 1420 (s) and provide a pathway for prosecution for any CHRB licensees engaged in the conduct of illegal match racing by permitting the Board of Stewards to adjudicate a claim and render a decision that they believe is just.

No public hearing was held for the proposed regulatory action, as the Board did not receive a written request for a public hearing from any interested person, or his or her authorized representative, at least 15 days prior to the close of the written comment period. The Board invited interested persons to present statements or arguments with respect to alternatives to the proposed regulations during the written comment period. No alternatives were proposed.

No alternatives that would lessen any adverse economic impact on small business were proposed.