

**GOLDEN CIRCLE**  
**Testimony on S.B. 260**  
**House Committee on State & Federal Affairs**

**March 13, 2025**

Mr. Chairman and Members of the Committee,

On behalf of the Golden Circle Historic Racing facility, thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of **S.B. 260, AN ACT concerning parimutuel wagering; relating to the Kansas Parimutuel Racing Act; modifying the qualifications for an organization license; redefining horsemen's associations and horsemen's nonprofit organizations; and changing the distribution of certain tax revenue.**

The Golden Circle is a historic horse racing facility slated to open in Park City in December of this year. The venue will operate **1,000 historic horse racing (HHR) machines** and offer **parimutuel wagering on simulcasts of live horse races from across the United States.** Additionally, the facility will feature various live entertainment options, including a **Gilley's concert hall.**

**Support for the Intent of S.B. 260**

The fundamental purpose of S.B. 260 is to direct a portion of tax revenue from HHR machines toward initiatives that benefit **horse racing and horse breeding** in Kansas. The Golden Circle fully supports this goal.

Thank you, and I am happy to stand for questions at the appropriate time.

**Very truly yours,**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jason P. Watkins", written in a cursive style.

**Jason P. Watkins**