

## **No on Prop 26 Sample Newsletter- Animal Welfare Groups**

Animal welfare organizations across California are sounding the alarm about Proposition 26. Prop 26 is a ballot measure going before voters this November that will legalize sports betting for some of the state's horserace tracks and tribal casinos.

By authorizing sports betting at racetracks, Prop 26 will provide a financial bailout to the horse racing industry—an industry that has seen more than 1,600 horse deaths in the last ten years in California.

Horse racing continues to decline in popularity as fewer and fewer people attend races each year. Without the financial windfall from sports betting, California's horse racing tracks will likely go out of business.

However, if Prop 26 is approved by voters, the new income stream worth tens of millions of dollars from sports betting will subsidize the horse racing industry and enable it to continue to operate in the future.

Even worse, Prop 26's bailout for the horse-racing tracks doesn't even include basic requirements for enhancing animal safety despite the numerous horse deaths that happen every year. Prop 26 also requires tracks to continue to have live horse racing if the track wants to offer sports wagering to their customers—guaranteeing that horses will continue to suffer.

California voters should not be asked to bail out an industry that is already losing customers and has a terrible animal safety record.

That's why Prop 26 deserves your NO vote this November.

You can help fight back against Prop 26. If you'd like to add your name to the growing coalition of animal welfare supporters saying no to Prop 26, [click here](#).