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Colorado House Finance Committee Colorado State Capitol 200 East Colfax Avenue Denver, CO 80203

January 20, 2009

Honorable Committee Members,

On behalf of our 1,200 statewide members, Colorado Humane Voters League would like to register our organization's opposition to House Bill 09-1095, or any bill that would encourage the resumption of live dog racing in Colorado.

Dog racing has been steadily declining in popularity in recent years. We believe this is because, as people increasingly view their own dogs as members of the family, it has become more difficult for them to view other dogs only as disposable fodder for gambling and entertainment.

Consequently, the public has been voting with their pocketbooks on the issue of dog racing, and we see no reason to question the wisdom of inevitability of this trend. We oppose any use of tax incentives to artificially prop up the dog racing industry.

Sincerely,

Andrea Metzger, President Colorado Humane Voters League

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