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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary Finance and Civil Law

A bill for an act

relating to civil law; providing racing facilities with immunity from nuisance claims; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 561.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. **[561.015] RACING FACILITIES; IMMUNITY.**

Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have the meanings given.

(b) "Area of the racing facility" means within a five-mile radius of the perimeter of the property or contiguous group of properties where a racing facility is located.

(c) "Racing facility" means a designated area, facility, or track where competitive vehicle and motorsport races are conducted, including the track, spectator areas, garages, and any associated grounds, buildings, or appurtenances used to operate the races.

Subd. 2. **Immunity.** A racing facility is immune from any action brought by a surrounding property owner under any claim of nuisance if the racing facility was built before the surrounding real property owner either purchased or built the real property in the area of the racing facility. The immunity provided under this section shall apply regardless of any changes to the size, scope, configuration, technology, or type of racing conducted at the facility, provided such changes comply with local, state, and federal laws and regulations.

Subd. 3. **Local preemption.** A local unit of government must not adopt or enforce any ordinance or rule that would restrict, limit, or prohibit the operation of a racing facility in a manner inconsistent with this section.

Subd. 4. **Construction.** Nothing in this section shall be construed to exempt racing facilities from compliance with state or federal environmental laws or health and safety regulations.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective August 1, 2026, and applies to causes of action commenced on or after that date.