

been passed by a yea and nay vote, supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly of Maryland, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 25, 1947.

CHAPTER 856.

(House Bill 800)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sections 15 and 15A of Article 78B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1943 Supplement), title "Racing Commission", as said Section 15 and 15A were amended by Chapter 3 of the Acts of 1946, Extraordinary Session, relating to the disposition and amount of breakage on one-half mile tracks.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Sections 15 and 15A of Article 78B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1943 Supplement), title "Racing Commission", as said Sections 15 and 15A were amended by Chapter 3 of the Acts of 1946, Extraordinary Session, be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

15. In addition to all fees, premiums, taxes or other payments required by law, each licensee under the provisions of the preceding section shall pay to the Racing Commission for the use of the State, within five days after the close of the last meeting held during the year 1947 and during each calendar year thereafter, an annual tax at the rate of 1% on the first \$500,000 of money wagered on all races conducted by it during each such year, 2% on all money wagered over \$500,000 and not over \$1,000,00 on all such races conducted by it during each such year and 4% on all money wagered over and above the sum of \$1,000,000 on all races conducted by it during each year and shall pay one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) of the breakage computed to ten cents (10¢) to the Comptroller for the use of the Maryland State Fair Board, which shall be used by said Board as it deems necessary for premiums at the tracks where such breakage was collected and the remainder used for the general purposes of said Board. The payment of said tax shall be accompanied by a statement of the licensee, or his duly authorized agent, under oath, showing the amount of money wagered each day during the preceding meeting. The Commission shall