

be issued hereafter in Carroll, Dorchester, Montgomery or Wicomico Counties.

Each licensee licensed under the provisions of this section shall at its option be permitted to avail itself of the pari-mutuel betting privileges heretofore granted in this Article, retaining for its own use 6% of the money wagered together with breakage computed to ten cents (10c), and shall pay to the Racing Commission for the use of the State within five days after the close of the meeting held during the year 1947, and each calendar year thereafter, an annual tax at the rate of four percent (4%) on money wagered on all races conducted by it during the year, together with a license fee of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) for each day that races are held, provided that the Racing Commission shall not authorize more than one hundred days of racing with betting privileges in any one year, and not more than twenty days at any one track.

For the purpose of enforcing the provisions of this section the Commission shall have and exercise all the powers conferred upon it by Sections 11 and 13 of this Article.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That before the provisions of this Act shall become effective, the County Commissioners and the Board of Election Supervisors of Frederick County shall submit the question to the qualified voters of said county at the regular general election to be held in said county in November, 1950. Said question shall be submitted in the manner and at the places for holding elections in said county pursuant to the provisions of Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

The ballots or the voting machines as the case may be shall have printed on them a condensed summary of this Act. Printed on the said ballots or voting machines as the case may be shall be the words "For Harness Racing" and "Against Harness Racing", with suitable provision to be made for the voter to indicate his choice on said question.

If a majority of the persons voting on said question shall vote "For Harness Racing," then this Act shall be immediately of full force and effect. If a majority of the persons voting on said question shall vote "Against Harness Racing," then this Act shall be void and of no further effect.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1949.

Approved May 6, 1949.