

(a) In addition to all fees, premiums, taxes or other payments required by law, each licensee under the provision of Section 15 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 1969 and during each calendar year thereafter, an annual tax at the rate of 5.50% on all money wagered on all such races conducted by it during each such year. Each such licensee shall [[pay]] ALLOCATE one half (1/2) of the breakage computed to ten cents (10¢) [[to the Racing Commission for the use of the State, 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 meetings]] FOR PURSE MONEY. TEN PERCENT OF THE ONE-HALF OF THE BREAKAGE FOR PURSE MONEY SHALL BE ALLOCATED TO THE MARYLAND-BRED RACE FUND AS PROVIDED BY SECTION 18A OF THE ARTICLE. The Commission shall promptly pay all taxes collected under the provisions of this section to the Comptroller, as provided in Section 19 of this article. Each licensee may deduct and retain for its own account 10-1/2% of all money wagered IN ALL REGULAR MUTUEL POOLS on all races conducted by it during each year and one half (1/2) of the breakage computed to the ten cents (10¢) ON ALL REGULAR MUTUEL POOLS. EACH LICENSEE MAY DEDUCT AND RETAIN FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT 11-1/2% OF ALL MONEY WAGERED IN ALL MULTIPLE MUTUEL POOLS ON ALL RACES CONDUCTED BY IT DURING EACH YEAR AND ONE-HALF (1/2) OF THE BREAKAGE COMPUTED TO THE TEN CENTS (10¢) ON ALL MULTIPLE MUTUEL POOLS. REGULAR MUTUEL POOL MEANS A SEPARATE WAGERING POOL IN WHICH AN INTEREST IS REPRESENTED BY A SINGLE TICKET EVIDENCING A SINGLE WAGER ON ONE HORSE. MULTIPLE MUTUEL POOL MEANS A SEPARATE WAGERING POOL IN WHICH AN INTEREST IS REPRESENTED BY A SINGLE WAGER ON TWO OR MORE HORSES. For the purpose of enforcing the provisions of this section, the Commission shall have and exercise all of the power conferred upon it by Sections 11 and 13 of this article.

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(a) In addition to the licensing of racing as hereinbefore provided, the Commission is authorized in its discretion to issue licenses for the holding of trotting and pacing meetings at which there may be offered stakes, purses or awards, and at which there may be exercised pari-mutuel betting privileges, to [[Baltimore Trotting Races, Inc.,]] the Rosecroft Trotting and Pacing Association, Inc., Laurel Harness Racing Association, Inc., and Ocean Downs Racing Association, Inc., and the Commission shall have supervisory powers over such meetings and those licensed in the same manner and to the same extent, where not inappropriate, as it has by virtue of the provisions of