

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article - Natural Resources

9-201.

(A) A [natural] person who is the owner of land bounding on navigable water is entitled to any natural accretion to his land, to reclaim fast land lost by erosion or avulsion during his ownership of the land to the extent of provable existing boundaries. He THE PERSON may make improvements into the water in front of ~~his land to preserve his~~ THE LAND TO PRESERVE THAT PERSON'S access to the navigable water or protect ~~his shore~~ THE SHORE OF THAT PERSON against erosion. After an improvement has been constructed, it is the property of the owner of the land to which it is attached. A right covered in this subtitle does not preclude the owner from developing any other use approved by the board. The right to reclaim lost fast land relates only to fast land lost after January 1, 1972, and the burden of proof that the loss occurred after this date is on the owner of the land.

(E) ~~THE RIGHTS OF ANY PARTNERSHIP, CORPORATION, OR ASSOCIATION WHICH EXISTED PRIOR TO JULY 1, 1973 IN RELATION TO NATURAL ACCRETION OF LAND ARE DEEMED TO STILL EXIST~~ THE RIGHTS OF ANY PERSON, AS DEFINED IN THIS SUBTITLE, WHICH EXISTED PRIOR TO JULY 1, 1973, IN RELATION TO NATURAL ACCRETION OF LAND ARE DEEMED TO HAVE CONTINUED TO BE IN EXISTENCE SUBSEQUENT TO JULY 1, 1978 JULY 1, 1973 TO JULY 1, 1978.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1978.

Approved May 16, 1978.

CHAPTER 792

(Senate Bill 963)

AN ACT concerning

Racing Commission - Distribution of Pool Receipts

~~FOR the purpose of altering the distribution of breakage and percentages of certain mutuel pools on races conducted in Maryland under the authority of the Maryland Racing Commission; making certain corrections in language; and generally relating to the Maryland Racing Commission; changing the share of moneys deducted from multiple mutuel pool betting at thoroughbred mile and half mile~~