

certain number of days; requiring a certain percentage of the mutuel pool be used for purses and track improvements; clarifying language; and generally relating to harness racing in Maryland.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 78B - Racing Commission  
Section 17(b)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1975 Replacement Volume and 1977 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article 78B - Racing Commission  
Section 17(d)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1975 Replacement Volume and 1977 Supplement)

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 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows: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 78B - Racing Commission

17.

(b) (1) Each licensee licensed under the provisions of this section shall at its option be permitted to avail itself of the pari-mutuel betting privileges granted in this section, retaining for its own use 13 1/2% of the regular mutuel pool [and 14 1/2%] 15.5 PERCENT of the TWO HORSE multiple mutuel pool, if any, AND 21 1/2 PERCENT OF THE THREE OR MORE HORSE MULTIPLE MUTUEL POOL, IF ANY, of all money wagered not in excess of \$125,000 daily average and 10% of the regular mutuel pool and [11%] 12 PERCENT of the TWO HORSE multiple mutuel pool, if any, AND 18 PERCENT OF THE THREE OR MORE HORSE MULTIPLE MUTUEL POOL, IF ANY, of all money wagered in excess of \$125,000 daily average on all races conducted by it during the year, and shall pay to the ~~Racing Commission~~ HARNESS RACING BOARD for the use of the State within five days after the close of the meeting held during the year 1958, and each calendar year thereafter, an annual tax at the rate of 3 1/2% of all money wagered not in excess of \$125,000 daily average, and 7% of all money wagered in excess of \$125,000 daily average, and 7% of all money wagered in excess of \$125,000 daily average on all races conducted by it during the year. 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] TWO HORSE MULTIPLE mutuel pool means a separate wagering pool in which an interest is represented by a single wager on two [or more] horses. THREE OR MORE HORSE MULTIPLE MUTUEL POOL MEANS A SEPARATE WAGERING POOL IN WHICH AN INTEREST IS REPRESENTED BY A SINGLE WAGER ON THREE OR MORE HORSES. (2) Each such licensee having a total