SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2006.

Approved April 25, 2006.

CHAPTER 180

(House Bill 555)

AN ACT concerning

Horse Racing - Interstate Compact on Licensure of Participants in Live Racing with Pari-Mutuel Wagering

FOR the purpose of entering into an interstate compact with other racing jurisdictions for the licensure of participants in live horse racing with pari-mutuel wagering; creating a compact committee; providing for membership and alternate membership of the compact committee; providing for the powers and duties of the compact committee; providing for an individual to be licensed by the compact committee and, as a result, be able to practice the individual's profession in all states that are members of the compact; prohibiting the compact committee from denying a state license; providing for a procedure when the compact committee determines that an applicant is ineligible for a compact license; establishing the voting requirements of the compact committee; providing for certain immunity from personal liability under certain circumstances; requiring each state that is a party to the compact to take certain actions; providing that each party state is not to be held liable for certain debts incurred by the compact committee; providing for the construction of this Act; making the provisions of this Act severable; defining certain terms; directing the Governor to take certain actions; and generally relating to the licensing and regulation under an interstate compact of certain individuals participating in live horse racing in the State.

BY adding to

Article - Business Regulation

Section 11-1301 through 11-1312, inclusive, to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 13. National Racing Compact"

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2004 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows: