

Article - Business Regulation

SUBTITLE 13. NATIONAL RACING COMPACT.

11-1301.

(A) IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(B) "COMPACT COMMITTEE" MEANS THE ORGANIZATION OF OFFICIALS FROM THE PARTY STATES THAT IS AUTHORIZED AND EMPOWERED BY THIS COMPACT TO CARRY OUT THE PURPOSES OF THIS COMPACT.

(C) "COMPACT LICENSE" MEANS A LICENSE ISSUED BY THE COMPACT COMMITTEE.

~~(C)~~ (D) "OFFICIAL" MEANS THE DULY SELECTED MEMBER OF A PARTY STATE RACING COMMISSION, OR ITS EQUIVALENT, WHO REPRESENTS THAT PARTY STATE AS A MEMBER OF THE COMPACT COMMITTEE.

~~(D)~~ (E) "PARTICIPANTS IN LIVE RACING" MEANS PARTICIPANTS IN LIVE HORSE RACING WITH PARI-MUTUEL WAGERING IN THE PARTY STATES.

~~(E)~~ (F) "PARTY STATE" MEANS EACH STATE THAT HAS ENACTED THIS COMPACT.

~~(F)~~ (G) "STATE" MEANS EACH OF THE SEVERAL STATES OF THE UNITED STATES, THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, THE COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO, AND EACH TERRITORY OR POSSESSION OF THE UNITED STATES.

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THE PURPOSES OF THIS COMPACT ARE TO:

(1) DERIVE UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS AMONG THE PARTY STATES FOR THE LICENSURE OF PARTICIPANTS IN LIVE HORSE RACING WITH PARI-MUTUEL WAGERING;

(2) ENSURE THAT ALL LICENSEES PURSUANT TO THIS COMPACT MEET A UNIFORM MINIMUM STANDARD OF HONESTY AND INTEGRITY;

(3) FACILITATE THE GROWTH OF THE HORSE RACING INDUSTRY BY SIMPLIFYING THE PROCESS FOR QUALIFIED APPLICANTS FOR A LICENSE TO PARTICIPATE IN LIVE RACING;

(4) REDUCE THE COST INCURRED BY EACH STATE AND APPLICANT FROM THE SEPARATE LICENSING PROCESS CONDUCTED BY EACH STATE THAT CONDUCTS LIVE HORSE RACING;

(5) AUTHORIZE THE MARYLAND RACING COMMISSION TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS COMPACT;

(6) PERMIT OFFICIALS FROM THE PARTY STATES TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS COMPACT;