

for the running of the dates of the Agricultural and Mechanical Association of Washington County at the track of the Southern Maryland Agricultural Fair Association of Prince George's County for a period or periods aggregating not more than nine years; provided, however, that no dates awarded pursuant to this section shall conflict with any other dates for racing in Prince George's County. If such joint venture shall be awarded a license and dates for racing at the track of the Southern Maryland Agricultural Fair Association of Prince George's County during nine calendar years, the Agricultural and Mechanical Association of Washington County shall be deemed to have forfeited its rights to conduct racing after the ninth year and it shall not thereafter be awarded dates or a license for racing, and the number of racing days theretofore annually awarded to it shall thereafter be awarded by the Racing Commission to the Southern Maryland Agricultural Fair Association of Prince George's County in addition to the number of racing days then awardable to the Southern Maryland Agricultural Fair Association of Prince George's County pursuant to § 15(a) of this article; provided, however, that no dates awarded pursuant to this section shall conflict with any other dates for racing in Prince George's County. If the license and dates are awarded as provided above in this section, the Southern Maryland Agricultural Fair Association of Prince George's County for a period of ten years shall pay such amount as shall be reviewed by the Racing Commission, but in no case less than six thousand dollars (\$6,000.00) per racing day to the State Comptroller for each racing day transferred; from these payments the State Comptroller for a period of eight years shall pay the sum of one hundred eight thousand dollars (\$108,000.00) each year to the Agricultural and Mechanical Association of Washington County, if that association operates a fair in the particular year; and the remainder of the moneys received by the Comptroller from the Southern Maryland Agricultural Fair Association of Prince George's County shall be credited to the general funds of the State treasury. Prior to any sale of the Marlboro track or facilities thereof by the joint venture described in this subsection the person or persons so authorized shall offer to sell the Marlboro track and facilities or any interest therein to Prince George's County on the same terms as to a prospective purchaser which shall constitute the right of first refusal by the Prince George's County Council. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this article, the license and dates for racing awarded to the joint venture described in this section and to the Southern Maryland Agricultural Fair Association of Prince George's County under § 15(a) of this article, shall be run at the Bowie track, in accordance with the provisions of this article applicable to a license and racing days awarded pursuant to § 7 of this article. Pursuant to the transfer of these racing days Bowie race course shall provide at least one race per day for horses with a claiming price of \$1,500 through \$2,500 for the 1975 and 1976 racing seasons.]