

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

Article 78B - Racing Commission

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(a) The salaries of the commissioners, the executive director, and the Commission staff shall be as provided in the State budget. Beginning January 1, 1985, the salaries of the stewards and harness judges shall be as provided in the State budget. In addition to the employees of the Commission whose salaries and stipends are provided for in the budget, the Commission is authorized to employ at reasonable compensation, and upon recommendation of the executive director, a reasonable number of inspectors, satchel men, inspector in charge of a detention barn, chief inspector, assistant chief inspector, inspector at a thoroughbred track, breathalyzer operator at a harness track, Commission Secretary, guards, experts, scientists, auditors, veterinarians, and other employees or agents deemed by the Commission to be essential at or in connection with any race meeting to the best interests of racing (hereinafter referred to as "additional employees,") and is further authorized to maintain a testing laboratory and to purchase supplies and equipment for and in connection with such laboratory or other tests or testing processes. The expenses of such laboratory or other testing process and of the supplies and equipment needed in connection with either shall be paid by all licensees licensed in any calendar year under this article in the ratio which the number of days of racing conducted by such licensee bears to the whole number of days of licensed racing, with betting privileges, held in this State during such year. The compensation, the employer's share of contributions with respect to benefits under the federal old age and survivor's insurance system (social security), the employer's share of contributions with respect to benefits under the pension system for employees of the State of Maryland, [and] the employer's share of health insurance benefits provided through the State Employees' Health Insurance Program, AND ALL CONTRIBUTIONS AND PAYMENTS FOR UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE AND BENEFITS for these additional employees shall be paid by the licensee of the race meeting in connection with which they are utilized or employed. Each licensee as a condition precedent to the privilege of receiving a license under this article shall be deemed to have agreed that it will pay the actual reasonable expenses, compensation, and contributions with respect to BENEFITS UNDER social security and THE pension system for employees BENEFITS OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND for such additional employees.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1987.