

~~(1) "STANDARD BRED HORSEMAN" MEANS AN OWNER, TRAINER, OR DRIVER OF A STANDARD BRED HORSE IN THE STATE.~~

~~(2) "THOROUGHBRED HORSEMAN" MEANS AN OWNER OR TRAINER OF A THOROUGHBRED HORSE IN THE STATE.~~

~~(B) (1) AN ORGANIZATION MAY SUBMIT A PETITION TO THE COMMISSION TO REPRESENT THE MAJORITY OF STANDARD BRED HORSEMEN OR THE MAJORITY OF THOROUGHBRED HORSEMEN.~~

~~(2) IN ITS PETITION, THE ORGANIZATION SHALL INCLUDE THE SIGNATURES, PRINTED NAMES, AND AUTHORIZATION NUMBERS OF, AS APPROPRIATE:~~

~~(I) AT LEAST 500 STANDARD BRED HORSEMEN WHO ARE AUTHORIZED BY THE COMMISSION TO PARTICIPATE IN RACING AT RACE MEETINGS AND WHO SUPPORT THE ORGANIZATION; OR~~

~~(II) AT LEAST 500 THOROUGHBRED HORSEMEN WHO ARE AUTHORIZED BY THE COMMISSION TO PARTICIPATE IN RACING AT RACE MEETINGS AND WHO SUPPORT THE ORGANIZATION.~~

~~(C) ON RECEIPT OF THE PETITION, THE COMMISSION SHALL:~~

~~(1) VERIFY THE STATUS OF EACH INDIVIDUAL WHO SIGNED THE PETITION IN SUPPORT OF THE ORGANIZATION; AND~~

~~(2) GIVE NOTICE TO THE PETITIONER, THE ORGANIZATION CURRENTLY RECOGNIZED AS REPRESENTING THE STANDARD BRED HORSEMEN OR THOROUGHBRED HORSEMEN, AS APPROPRIATE, AND TO ANY OTHER INTERESTED PARTY OF:~~

~~(I) RECEIPT OF THE PETITION; AND~~

~~(II) THE DATE WHEN AN ELECTION TO DETERMINE REPRESENTATION WILL BE ANNOUNCED.~~

~~(D) (1) THE COMMISSION SHALL MAIL BALLOTS TO:~~

~~(I) EACH STANDARD BRED HORSEMAN OR THOROUGHBRED HORSEMAN, AS APPROPRIATE, WHO IS AUTHORIZED TO PARTICIPATE IN RACING AT A RACE MEETING FROM JANUARY 1 OF THE CURRENT YEAR UP TO AND INCLUDING THE DAY THE ELECTION IS ANNOUNCED; AND~~

~~(II) IF THE ELECTION IS ANNOUNCED BEFORE JUNE 30, EACH STANDARD BRED HORSEMAN OR THOROUGHBRED HORSEMAN, AS APPROPRIATE, WHO IS AUTHORIZED TO PARTICIPATE IN RACING AT A RACE MEETING ON DECEMBER 31 OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR BUT IS NOT YET AUTHORIZED FOR THE CURRENT YEAR.~~