

11-614.

Except as provided in § 11-614.1 of this subtitle, a licensee whose average handle is over \$600,000 shall:

- (1) allocate 0.32% of each mutuel pool to the Commission as State tax;
- (2) allocate for purses 0.18% of each mutuel pool, or an amount that is otherwise agreed to by the licensee and the organization representing a majority of the harness owners and trainers in the State, which shall provide revenue in addition to any other funds set aside for purses by private parties;
- (3) allocate 0.25% of each mutuel pool to the Maryland Harness Track Employees Pension Fund;
- (4) keep 16.25% of each regular mutuel pool;
- (5) keep 18.25% of each multiple mutuel pool on 2 horses; and
- (6) keep 24.25% of each multiple mutuel pool on 3 or more horses.

11-616.

A licensee whose average handle is \$600,000 or less shall:

- (1) allocate 0.32% of each mutuel pool to the Commission as State tax;
- (2) allocate for purses 0.18% of each mutuel pool, or an amount that is otherwise agreed to by the licensee and the organization representing a majority of the harness owners and trainers in the State, which shall provide revenue in addition to any other funds set aside for purses by private parties;
- (3) subject to § 11-618 of this subtitle, allocate 0.25% of each mutuel pool to the Maryland Harness Track Employees Pension Fund;
- (4) keep 18.00% of each regular mutuel pool;
- (5) keep 20.00% of each multiple mutuel pool on 2 horses; and
- (6) keep 26.00% of each multiple mutuel pool on 3 or more horses.

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SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1997. It shall remain effective for a period of [one year] 2 YEARS AND 1 MONTH and, at the end of [May 31, 1998] JUNE 30, 1999, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the changes to § 11-406 of the Business Regulation Article, as enacted by Section 1 of this Act, shall remain effective until June 30, 1999, and, at the end of June 30, 1999, with no further action required by the General Assembly, the changes to § 11-406 shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.