

the General Assembly, and the study under subsection (c)(1)(iii) of this section on market survey research and strategies shall be submitted on or before October 1, 1998 according to the same procedure.

~~SECTION 3.~~ AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That all funds provided for purses and bred funds at harness racing ~~tracks and~~ tracks, mile thoroughbred racing ~~tracks~~ tracks, and Timonium Race Course by this Act shall be in addition to and may not supplant:

(a) Amounts allocated for purses and bred funds under current agreements between the harness racing tracks and the organization that represents a majority of owners and trainers of standardbred horses in the State; and

(b) Amounts otherwise provided in statute for purses and bred funds at mile thoroughbred racing tracks ~~in the State~~ and Timonium Race Course.

~~SECTION 4.~~ AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the purses shall be increased at mile thoroughbred racetracks and Timonium Race Course according to a formula determined by the State Racing Commission, the racetrack licensees, and the organization that represents a majority of owners and trainers of thoroughbred horses in the State.

SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That it is the intent of the Maryland General Assembly that the actions taken under this Act, which are similar to those enacted through legislation in 1997, are to further promote and preserve live horse racing in the State, and that any future legislation will be weighed in light of the effects of the financial assistance provided as well as the efforts made by the racing industry towards the same goal.

SECTION 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation shall provide a report to the Senate Finance and Budget and Taxation Committees and the House Ways and Means and Appropriations Committees on the distribution and use of the marketing funds under Section 2 of this Act by June 30, 1999.

SECTION 7. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article — Health — General

10-804.

(a) (1) ~~The Secretary may make grants from or agreements for the use of State and federal funds to help public agencies or nonprofit organizations operate the center for compulsive gamblers and establish and operate local programs to provide the following for compulsive gamblers:~~

- (i) ~~Inpatient services.~~
- (ii) ~~Outpatient services.~~
- (iii) ~~Partial care services.~~