

Total Appropriation 10,280,487

DIVISION OF RACING

PE01.02 Maryland Racing Commission
General Fund Appropriation 360,695

PE01.03 Racetrack Operation Reimbursement

It is the intent of the General Assembly that, if lottery revenues exceed \$352,701,000 in fiscal 1998, ~~\$6,000,000~~ \$5,000,000 of the remaining revenue that would otherwise be paid to the General Fund be distributed to a special fund as specified in House Bill 837 or Senate Bill 263 to restore the horse racing enhancement and study monies to a total of \$10,000,000.

Further, it is the intent of the General Assembly that, if lottery revenues do not provide \$5,000,000 for horse racing, the Governor may request a deficiency appropriation during the 1999 Session to make up the difference.

General Fund Appropriation, provided that \$10,000,000 of this amount is restricted for the following purposes:

(1) \$8,000,000 shall be used to increase purses at harness race tracks and thoroughbred race tracks in the State and to enhance the Maryland Bred Race Fund and the Standardbred Race Fund in the following manner:

(a) 62.3 percent to purses at the mile thoroughbred race tracks and Timonium;

(b) 7.7 percent to the Maryland Bred Race Fund;

(c) 26.7 percent to purses at the harness race tracks; and