

"Mane Attraction" at the Rosecroft Raceway.

Further provided that these studies are to be completed by December 1, 1998, and the results are to be reported to the Governor and the General Assembly.

Further provided that the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation shall initiate the formation of a partnership of track operators, horse breeders, trainers, and others as appropriate to assist in developing industry marketing surveys and strategies.

Further provided that the purses shall be increased at harness race tracks, mile thoroughbred race tracks, and Timonium according to a formula determined by the State Racing Commission, the race track licensees, the organization that represents a majority of owners and trainers of standardbred horses in the State, and the organization that represents a majority of owners and trainers of thoroughbred horses in the State. All funds provided for purses at harness race tracks, mile thoroughbred race tracks, and Timonium shall be in addition to and may not supplant:

(1) amounts allocated for purses under current agreements between the harness race tracks and the organization that represents a majority of owners and trainers of standardbred horses in the State; and

(2) amounts otherwise provided in statute for purses at mile thoroughbred race tracks in the State and Timonium.

Further provided that the amounts designated for the bred funds shall be expended in a manner recommended by the advisory committee to each fund and approved by the Maryland Racing Commission.

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