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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the abolition of the equine incentive program.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

4 SECTION 1. Section 12.044, Agriculture Code, is repealed.

5 SECTION 2. (a) The equine incentive program under Section

6 12.044, Agriculture Code, is abolished September 1, 2015.

7 (b) Not later than December 31, 2015, the Department of

8 Agriculture shall distribute any money remaining on the effective

date of this Act from fees collected under Section 12.044(b),

10 Agriculture Code, to the applicable breeders' associations. The

11 department shall distribute to each breeders' association an amount

12 of money determined by multiplying the amount of money remaining on

13 the effective date of this Act from fees collected under Section

14 12.044(b), Agriculture Code, by a fraction, the numerator of which

15 is the amount of money collected under that subsection during the

16 operation of the equine incentive program in connection with the

17 breeding of mares registered or associated with that breeders'

18 association and the denominator of which is the total amount of

19 money collected under that subsection during the operation of the

20 equine incentive program in connection with the breeding of mares

21 registered or associated with all breeders' associations. A

22 breeders' association may use money received under this subsection

23 only to promote the equine industry in this state.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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