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S.B. No. 1973

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the set aside, collection, and transfer of certain money for the Texas Racing Commission.

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

SECTION 1. Section 6.091(a), Texas Racing Act (Article 179e, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended to read as follows:

(a) An association shall distribute from the total amount deducted as provided by Section 6.08(a) and 6.09(a) of this Act from each simulcast pari-mutuel pool and each simulcast cross-species pool the following shares:

(1) an amount equal to one percent of each simulcast pool to the commission to fund the agency's activities ~~[as the amount set aside for the state];~~

(2) an amount equal to 1.25 percent of each simulcast cross-species pool to the commission to fund the agency's activities ~~[as the amount set aside for the state];~~

(3) if the association is a horse racing association, an amount equal to one percent of a multiple two wagering pool or multiple three wagering pool as the amount set aside for the Texas-bred program to be used as provided by Section 6.08(f) of this Act;

(4) if the association is a greyhound association, an amount equal to one percent of a multiple two wagering pool or a

1 multiple three wagering pool as the amount set aside for the
2 Texas-bred program for greyhound races, to be distributed and used
3 in accordance with rules of the commission adopted to promote
4 greyhound breeding in this state; and

5 (5) the remainder as the amount set aside for purses,
6 expenses, the sending association, and the receiving location
7 pursuant to a contract approved by the commission between the
8 sending association and the receiving location.

9 SECTION 2. Section 6.091(b), Texas Racing Act (Article
10 179e, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is repealed.

11 SECTION 3. (a) The changes in law made by this Act to
12 Section 6.091, Texas Racing Act (Article 179e, Vernon's Texas Civil
13 Statutes), apply to the deduction from a pari-mutuel pool for a race
14 conducted by a racetrack association on or after the effective date
15 of this Act.

16 (b) As soon as practicable after the effective date of this
17 Act, the Texas Racing Commission shall revise existing rules or
18 adopt new rules as necessary to comply with Section 6.091, Texas
19 Racing Act (Article 179e), Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), as
20 amended by this Act.

21 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.