HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

2023 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Commerce to Reengrossed Senate Bill No. 173 by Senator Foil

AMENDMENT NO. 1 2 On page 1, line 2, delete "R.S. 4:179.1 and 183.2(A)," and insert in lieu thereof "R.S. 3 4:179.1, 183(A) and (B)(2) through (4), 183.2(A) and (B)(2)" 4 AMENDMENT NO. 2 On page 1, line 3, after "438(A)," insert "and to enact R.S. 4:183.2(B)(3) and (4), and R.S. 27:361(B)(4)(a)(iv)," 7 AMENDMENT NO. 3

8 On page 1, delete lines 9 and 10 and insert in lieu thereof:

9 "Section 1. R.S. 4:179.1, 183(A) and (B)(2) through (4), 183.2(A) and (B)(2) are 10 hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 4:183.2(B)(3) and (4) are hereby enacted to read as 11 follows:"

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On page 2, between lines 3 and 4, insert the following: 13

> "§183. Contracts between licensees and permittees licensed to race horses at race meetings conducted in the state

A. The monies to be distributed by a licensee as purses to permittees licensed to race horses in Louisiana and the monies to be distributed by a licensee to the Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association for the use and benefit of such permittees, their employees, and others, for hospital and medical benefits and for the administrative expenses in providing these benefits shall be and include:

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(2) In the event the amount distributed as purses is more than the amount required by Subsection A of this Section, the overpayment shall be carried forward to the next race meeting conducted by the same association. It shall be carried on the association books as an asset-unless and until the overpayment is remitted to the HBPA pursuant to R.S. 4:183.2. If remitted to the HBPA, the overpayment shall be carried on the HBPA books as an asset.

(3) In the event the amount distributed as purses to persons licensed to race horses at thoroughbred race meetings conducted in the state is less than the amount required by this Section, and more than an amount equal to two times the average daily purse distribution at the thoroughbred race meeting at which generated, it shall be delivered to the Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association for further distribution to persons having earned monies during the meeting, in the direct proportion that the underpayment is to the monies earned by that person at that meeting. In the event the underpayment is less than an amount equal to two times the average daily purse distribution at that meeting, it shall be retained by the association or the HBPA in an interest bearing account to be used for purses at the next thoroughbred meeting conducted by that association. Interest earned on the account shall be added to the purse paid over and above the amount required to be paid as purses by this Section.

(4) In the event the amount distributed as purses to persons licensed to race horses at quarter horse race meetings conducted in the state is less than the amount required by this Section and more than an amount equal to two times the average daily purse distribution at the quarter horse race meeting at which generated, it shall be delivered to the Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association for further distribution to persons having earned monies during the meeting, in the direct proportion that the underpayment is to the monies earned by that person at that meeting. In the event the underpayment is less than an amount equal to two times the average daily purse distribution at that meeting, it shall be retained by the association **or the HBPA** in an interest bearing account to be used for purses at the next quarter horse meeting conducted by that association. Interest earned on the account shall be added to the purse paid over and above the amount required to be paid as purses by this Section.

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AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, delete line 11 and insert in lieu thereof:

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- Until all monies have been distributed in accordance with R.S. 4:183(A)(4), the Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association or all member and other horsemen in the state and all other persons or entities that receive purse or purse supplement funds shall be deemed to hold a perfected security interest in and to all funds that are deemed to have been earned pursuant to this Section and that have not yet been distributed in accordance with R.S. 4:183(A)(4). All earned purse money not yet distributed as purses shall be deemed to be held in trust for the benefit of the Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association by the licensee until such time as such monies are distributed in accordance with law. A licensee shall have a fiduciary duty to the Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association to preserve and account for such monies. or remitted to the HBPA pursuant to Subsection A of this Section. Following the remittance to the HBPA by the licensee, all earned purse money not yet distributed shall be deemed to be held in trust for the benefit of all member and other horsemen in the state and all other persons or entities that receive purse funds by the HBPA until such time as the monies are distributed in accordance with the law.
- (3) A licensee shall have a fiduciary duty to the Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association to preserve and account for such monies until such monies are remitted to the HBPA. Once the licensee remits the monies designated for purses in accordance with R.S. 4:183(A) to the HBPA pursuant to Subsection A of this Section, it shall have no fiduciary duty to the HBPA, any member or other horsemen, or any person or entity that receives purse funds to preserve and account for such monies and shall be indemnified against any loss of monies or other circumstance causing the amount of funds to be less than what the licensee remitted to the HBPA. The HBPA shall have a fiduciary duty to all member and other horsemen in the state and all other persons or entities that receive purse funds to preserve and account for such monies.

- 1 (4) The account containing the monies remit to the HBPA pursuant to
 2 Subsection A of this Section shall be subject to audit at all times by the
 3 legislative auditor and shall be included in the annual audit required by R.S.
 4:185.1."
- 5 AMENDMENT NO. 6
- 6 On page 2, line 13, after "reenacted" and before "to" insert "and R.S. 27:361(B)(4)(a)(iv) is
- 7 enacted"
- 8 AMENDMENT NO. 7
- 9 On page 2, line 24, delete "pay" and insert "transfer"
- 10 AMENDMENT NO. 8
- On page 3, delete lines 12 through 14 and insert in lieu thereof
- 12 "are distributed in accordance with law. A licensee shall have a fiduciary duty to the 13 Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association to preserve and account for such 14 purse supplements. or transferred to the Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective 15 Association pursuant this Paragraph. The purse supplements transferred by the licensee to the Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association as required 16 17 in Subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph and not yet distributed shall be deemed to be held in trust for the benefit of all member and other horsemen in the state 18 19 and all other persons or entities that receive purse supplements by the Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association until such time as the monies 20 21 are distributed in accordance with the law.
- 22 (iv) A licensee shall have a fiduciary duty to the Horsemen's Benevolent 23 and Protective Association to preserve and account for only the purse 24 supplements in its control. Once the licensee transfers purse supplements to the 25 Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association, it shall have no fiduciary 26 duty to Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association, any member or 27 other horsemen, or any person or entity that receive purse supplements to 28 preserve and account for the transferred purse supplements and shall be 29 indemnified against any loss or other circumstance causing the amount of purse 30 supplements to be less than what the licensee transferred to the Horsemen's 31 Benevolent and Protective Association and the Horsemen's Benevolent and 32 Protective Association shall have a fiduciary duty to all member and other 33 horsemen in the state and all other persons or entities that receive purse 34 supplements to preserve and account for such purse supplements. The account 35 containing the purse supplements transferred to the Horsemen's Benevolent and 36 Protective Association pursuant to this Paragraph shall be subject to audit at 37 all times by the legislative auditor and shall be included in the annual audit 38 required by R.S. 4:185.1."
- 39 AMENDMENT NO. 9
- 40 On page 3, line 18, change "A." to "A.(1)"
- 41 AMENDMENT NO. 10
- 42 On page 3, line 21, after "Benevolent" and before "Protective" insert "and"
- 43 AMENDMENT NO. 11
- On page 3, line 23, change "HBPA" to "Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective
- 45 Association"

AMENDMENT NO. 12

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2 On page 3, in between lines 24 and 25, insert the following:

3 "(2) The Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association shall have 4 a fiduciary duty to all member and other horsemen in the state and all persons 5 or entities that receive purse supplements to preserve and account for such 6 purse supplements. The account containing the purse supplements transferred to the Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association pursuant to this 8 Subsection shall be subject to audit at all times by the legislative auditor and 9 shall be included in the annual audit required by R.S. 4:185.1. The licensee shall 10 have no fiduciary duty to the Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association, any member or other horsemen, or any person or entity that 12 receive purse supplements to preserve and account for the transferred purse 13 supplements and shall be indemnified against any loss or other circumstance 14 causing the amount of purse supplements to be less than what the licensee transferred to the Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association." 15