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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE BILL

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DECEMBER 16, 2019

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS,  
DECEMBER 16, 2019

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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 3 (Agriculture) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated  
2 Statutes, in race horse industry reform, further providing  
3 for Pennsylvania Breeding Fund.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Section 9336(a), (b.1) introductory paragraph and  
7 (f) of Title 3 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are  
8 amended to read:

9 § 9336. Pennsylvania Breeding Fund.

10 (a) Establishment.--There is created a restricted account in  
11 the State Racing Fund to be known as the Pennsylvania Breeding  
12 Fund which shall consist of the money deposited under section  
13 9334 (relating to State Racing Fund and tax rate) and any  
14 provision of 4 Pa.C.S. Pt. II (relating to gaming) and which  
15 shall be distributed by the [commission] Pennsylvania Horse  
16 Breeders' Association under the authority of the commission.

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1 (b.1) Awards from the Pennsylvania Breeding Fund.--The  
2 [commission] Pennsylvania Horse Breeders' Association shall  
3 distribute money from the Pennsylvania Breeding Fund as follows:

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5 (f) Pennsylvania Horse Breeders' Association.--The  
6 commission shall contract with the Pennsylvania Horse Breeders'  
7 Association as the organization responsible for the registration  
8 and records of Pennsylvania-bred thoroughbred race horses and  
9 the distribution of money from the Pennsylvania Breeding Fund.  
10 The Pennsylvania Horse Breeders' Association shall advise the  
11 commission when called upon and shall determine the  
12 qualifications for Pennsylvania-bred thoroughbred race horses  
13 and Pennsylvania sires. Registration and records of the  
14 association, including the balance of the Pennsylvania Breeding  
15 Fund, shall be official records of the Commonwealth and shall be  
16 subject to the act of February 14, 2008 (P.L.6, No.3), known as  
17 the Right-to-Know Law. At the close of each calendar year, the  
18 Pennsylvania Horse Breeders' Association shall submit to the  
19 commission for its approval [an itemized budget of projected  
20 expenses] the balance of the Pennsylvania Breeding Fund for the  
21 ensuing year relating to the administration and development of  
22 the Pennsylvania Breeding Fund Program. The commission, on no  
23 more than a quarterly basis, shall [reimburse from the fund the]  
24 approve a reimbursment to the Pennsylvania Horse Breeders'  
25 Association from the Pennsylvania Breeding Fund for those  
26 expenses actually incurred in the administration and development  
27 of the Pennsylvania Breeding Fund Program.

28 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.