

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0173

Pari-mutuel events-distribution of fees.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Nicholas, B. and Lindholm
and Senator(s) Burns

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to pari-mutuel wagering; providing for
2 distribution of fees to the general fund as specified; and
3 providing for an effective date.

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5 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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7 **Section 1.** W.S. 11-25-105(b)(ii), (iii), by creating
8 a new paragraph (iv) and (d) is amended to read:

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10 **11-25-105. Pari-mutuel permits; fees and reports;**
11 **disposition of funds; enforcement of provisions.**

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13 (b) Every Wednesday following any pari-mutuel event,
14 the permittee shall:

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1 (ii) Pay an amount equal to ~~one-half percent~~
2 ~~(1/2%)~~ one-quarter of one percent (.25%) of the total
3 amount wagered attributable to historic pari-mutuel events
4 and one and one-half percent (1 1/2%) of the total amount
5 wagered attributable to live pari-mutuel events, shown by
6 the report to the commission, to be credited by the state
7 treasurer to a separate account, in the manner indicated in
8 subsection (d) of this section; ~~and~~

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10 (iii) Pay an amount equal to one percent (1%) of
11 the total amount wagered attributable to historic
12 pari-mutuel events, shown by the report to the commission,
13 to be transferred by the commission to the county and the
14 city or town in which the permittee is located, in equal
15 shares, or to the county alone if the permittee is not
16 located within the boundaries of a city or town; ~~÷~~ and

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18 (iv) Pay an amount equal to one-quarter of one
19 percent (.25%) of the total amount wagered attributable to
20 historic pari-mutuel events, shown by the report to the
21 commission, to be credited by the state treasurer to the
22 general fund.

1 (d) All sums paid to the commission under this act
2 except contributions from permittees to the breeder award
3 fund, amounts paid under paragraph (b)(iii) or (iv) of this
4 section, fines and penalties shall be credited to the
5 pari-mutuel account which shall be used by the commission
6 for the payment of all expenses incurred in enforcing this
7 act. All fines and penalties collected under this act shall
8 be paid to the state treasurer and credited as provided in
9 W.S. 8-1-109. The state treasurer shall pay out of the
10 account all warrants drawn by the state auditor, upon
11 vouchers issued and signed by the president, vice-president
12 or executive secretary of the commission. The commission
13 shall keep an accurate and true account of all funds
14 received and all vouchers issued by the commission. All
15 funds received and all vouchers issued by the commission
16 shall be audited at least biennially by the director of the
17 state department of audit or his designee and a copy of the
18 audit shall be delivered within thirty (30) days after
19 completion to the governor and the commission. The costs of
20 the audit shall be borne by the commission. The members of
21 the commission shall receive per diem and mileage as
22 provided in W.S. 33-1-302(a)(vii), and compensation of
23 fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each day during which they are

1 actually engaged in the discharge of their duties. The
2 total expenses incurred by the commission shall not exceed
3 the total amount in the pari-mutuel account. In the event
4 unencumbered, unobligated funds within the pari-mutuel
5 account exceed the anticipated expenses to be incurred by
6 the commission during the next fiscal year, funds in excess
7 of the anticipated expenses shall be credited to the
8 general fund.

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10 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2017.

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12 (END)