

SB0480



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Introduced 2/23/2021, by Sen. Bill Cunningham

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

230 ILCS 5/56

Amends the Illinois Horse Racing Act of 1975. Provides that the amount an organization licensee racing standardbred horses places in a purse account from gaming pursuant to an organization gaming license shall be held in reserve by the organization gaming licensee to be expended at the direction of the Illinois Standardbred Breeders Fund Advisory Board (rather than paid to the Illinois Standardbred Breeders Fund) and shall solely be used as authorized.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning gaming.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Illinois Horse Racing Act of 1975 is
5 amended by changing Section 56 as follows:

6 (230 ILCS 5/56)

7 Sec. 56. Gaming pursuant to an organization gaming
8 license.

9 (a) A person, firm, corporation, partnership, or limited
10 liability company having operating control of a racetrack may
11 apply to the Gaming Board for an organization gaming license.
12 An organization gaming license shall authorize its holder to
13 conduct gaming on the grounds of the racetrack of which the
14 organization gaming licensee has operating control. Only one
15 organization gaming license may be awarded for any racetrack.
16 A holder of an organization gaming license shall be subject to
17 the Illinois Gambling Act and rules of the Illinois Gaming
18 Board concerning gaming pursuant to an organization gaming
19 license issued under the Illinois Gambling Act. If the person,
20 firm, corporation, or limited liability company having
21 operating control of a racetrack is found by the Illinois
22 Gaming Board to be unsuitable for an organization gaming
23 license under the Illinois Gambling Act and rules of the

1 Gaming Board, that person, firm, corporation, or limited
2 liability company shall not be granted an organization gaming
3 license. Each license shall specify the number of gaming
4 positions that its holder may operate.

5 An organization gaming licensee may not permit patrons
6 under 21 years of age to be present in its organization gaming
7 facility, but the licensee may accept wagers on live racing
8 and inter-track wagers at its organization gaming facility.

9 (b) For purposes of this subsection, "adjusted gross
10 receipts" means an organization gaming licensee's gross
11 receipts less winnings paid to wagerers and shall also include
12 any amounts that would otherwise be deducted pursuant to
13 subsection (a-9) of Section 13 of the Illinois Gambling Act.
14 The adjusted gross receipts by an organization gaming licensee
15 from gaming pursuant to an organization gaming license issued
16 under the Illinois Gambling Act remaining after the payment of
17 taxes under Section 13 of the Illinois Gambling Act shall be
18 distributed as follows:

19 (1) Amounts shall be paid to the purse account at the
20 track at which the organization licensee is conducting
21 racing equal to the following:

22 12.75% of annual adjusted gross receipts up to and
23 including \$93,000,000;

24 20% of annual adjusted gross receipts in excess of
25 \$93,000,000 but not exceeding \$100,000,000;

26 26.5% of annual adjusted gross receipts in excess

1 of \$100,000,000 but not exceeding \$125,000,000; and
2 20.5% of annual adjusted gross receipts in excess
3 of \$125,000,000.

4 If 2 different breeds race at the same racetrack in
5 the same calendar year, the purse moneys allocated under
6 this subsection (b) shall be divided pro rata based on
7 live racing days awarded by the Board to that race track
8 for each breed. However, the ratio may not exceed 60% for
9 either breed, except if one breed is awarded fewer than 20
10 live racing days, in which case the purse moneys allocated
11 shall be divided pro rata based on live racing days.

12 (2) The remainder shall be retained by the
13 organization gaming licensee.

14 (c) Annually, from the purse account of an organization
15 licensee racing thoroughbred horses in this State, except for
16 in Madison County, an amount equal to 12% of the gaming
17 receipts from gaming pursuant to an organization gaming
18 license placed into the purse accounts shall be paid to the
19 Illinois Thoroughbred Breeders Fund and shall be used for
20 owner awards; a stallion program pursuant to paragraph (3) of
21 subsection (g) of Section 30 of this Act; and Illinois
22 conceived and foaled stakes races pursuant to paragraph (2) of
23 subsection (g) of Section 30 of this Act, as specifically
24 designated by the horsemen association representing the
25 largest number of owners and trainers who race at the
26 organization licensee's race meetings.

1 Annually, from the purse account of an organization
2 licensee racing thoroughbred horses in Madison County, an
3 amount equal to 10% of the gaming receipts from gaming
4 pursuant to an organization gaming license placed into the
5 purse accounts shall be paid to the Illinois Thoroughbred
6 Breeders Fund and shall be used for owner awards; a stallion
7 program pursuant to paragraph (3) of subsection (g) of Section
8 30 of this Act; and Illinois conceived and foaled stakes races
9 pursuant to paragraph (2) of subsection (g) of Section 30 of
10 this Act, as specifically designated by the horsemen
11 association representing the largest number of owners and
12 trainers who race at the organization licensee's race
13 meetings.

14 Annually, from the amounts generated for purses from all
15 sources, including, but not limited to, amounts generated from
16 wagering conducted by organization licensees, organization
17 gaming licensees, inter-track wagering licensees, inter-track
18 wagering locations licensees, and advance deposit wagering
19 licensees, or an organization licensee to the purse account of
20 an organization licensee conducting thoroughbred races at a
21 track in Madison County, an amount equal to 10% of adjusted
22 gross receipts as defined in subsection (b) of this Section
23 shall be paid to the horsemen association representing the
24 largest number of owners and trainers who race at the
25 organization licensee's race meets, to be used to for
26 operational expenses and may be also used for after care

1 programs for retired thoroughbred race horses, backstretch
2 laundry and kitchen facilities, a health insurance or
3 retirement program, the Future Farmers of America, and such
4 other programs.

5 Annually, from the purse account of organization licensees
6 conducting thoroughbred races at racetracks in Cook County,
7 \$100,000 shall be paid for division and equal distribution to
8 the animal sciences department of each Illinois public
9 university system engaged in equine research and education on
10 or before the effective date of this amendatory Act of the
11 101st General Assembly for equine research and education.

12 (d) Annually, from the purse account of an organization
13 licensee racing standardbred horses, an amount equal to 15% of
14 the gaming receipts from gaming pursuant to an organization
15 gaming license placed into that purse account shall be held in
16 reserve by the organization gaming licensee to be expended at
17 the direction of the Illinois Standardbred Breeders Fund
18 Advisory Board and shall solely ~~paid to the Illinois~~
19 ~~Standardbred Breeders Fund. Moneys deposited into the Illinois~~
20 ~~Standardbred Breeders Fund shall~~ be used for standardbred
21 racing as authorized in paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 8, and 9 of
22 subsection (g) of Section 31 of this Act and for bonus awards
23 as authorized under paragraph 6 of subsection (j) of Section
24 31 of this Act.

25 (Source: P.A. 101-31, eff. 6-28-19.)