

# HOUSE BILL 1426

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By: **Delegate Walker**

Introduced and read first time: February 13, 2014

Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Harness Racing – Purses – Deductions Paid to an Organization**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring that a certain organization representing certain  
4 standardbred owners and trainers set a certain amount to be deducted from  
5 certain purses and paid to a certain organization; defining a certain term; and  
6 generally relating to standardbred racing purses.

7 BY adding to

8 Article – Business Regulation

9 Section 11–607

10 Annotated Code of Maryland

11 (2010 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
13 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

14 **Article – Business Regulation**

15 **11–607.**

16 (A) IN THIS SECTION, “OPEN PURSE” MEANS ANY PURSE, EXCEPT FOR  
17 ONE OFFERED IN A RACE FUNDED BY THE MARYLAND STANDARDBRED RACE  
18 FUND.

19 (B) THE ORGANIZATION THAT REPRESENTS A MAJORITY OF THE  
20 STANDARDBRED OWNERS AND TRAINERS IN THE STATE SHALL SET AN AMOUNT  
21 NOT LESS THAN 1% BUT NOT MORE THAN 2% THAT SHALL BE DEDUCTED FROM  
22 ALL OPEN PURSES AND PAID TO THE ORGANIZATION.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
2   June 1, 2014.