SENATE BILL 1080

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By: **Senator Pugh** Introduced and read first time: February 24, 2014 Assigned to: Rules

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Harness Racing – Purses – Deductions Paid to an Organization

- FOR the purpose of requiring that a certain organization representing certain
 standardbred owners and trainers set a certain amount to be deducted from
 certain purses and paid to a certain organization; defining a certain term; and
 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:

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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.

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.