

HOUSE BILL 1176

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HB 1426/14 – W&M

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By: **Delegates Knotts and Luedtke**
Introduced and read first time: February 23, 2015
Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations

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 certain
5 purses and paid to a certain organization; defining a certain term; and generally
6 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 2014 Supplement)

12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
13 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 ONE**
17 **OFFERED IN A RACE FUNDED BY THE MARYLAND STANDARDBRED RACE FUND.**

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

22 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June
23 1, 2015.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

