

# SENATE BILL 762

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By: **Senators Jennings and Brochin**

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Assigned to: Finance

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Horse Racing License – Land Preservation Trust – Shawan Downs**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the State Racing Commission to issue a license to a certain  
4 trust to hold racing at one 1–day race meeting a year at Shawan Downs; authorizing  
5 the licensee to choose, subject to the Commission’s approval, the racing date;  
6 requiring the licensee to reimburse the Commission for certain costs; requiring the  
7 licensee to allocate certain profits in a certain manner; requiring a certain licensee  
8 to make certain deductions from a certain handle; requiring that certain money, after  
9 certain deductions, be returned as winnings to certain bettors; and generally relating  
10 to pari–mutuel betting and racing at Shawan Downs.

11 BY adding to

12 Article – Business Regulation

13 Section 11–7A–01 through 11–7A–03 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 7A.  
14 Racing at Shawan Downs”

15 Annotated Code of Maryland

16 (2015 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)

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

19 **Article – Business Regulation**

20 **SUBTITLE 7A. RACING AT SHAWAN DOWNS.**

21 **11–7A–01.**

22 **THIS SUBTITLE APPLIES ONLY TO THE LICENSEE THAT IS THE LAND**  
23 **PRESERVATION TRUST, INC., OR ITS SUCCESSOR.**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **11-7A-02.**

2 (A) (1) THE COMMISSION SHALL ISSUE A LICENSE TO THE LAND  
3 PRESERVATION TRUST, INC., OR ITS SUCCESSOR TO HOLD RACING AT ONE 1-DAY  
4 RACE MEETING A YEAR AT SHAWAN DOWNS.

5 (2) THE RACING SHALL BE ON A DATE THAT THE LICENSEE CHOOSES  
6 AND THE COMMISSION APPROVES.

7 (B) THE LICENSEE SHALL:

8 (1) REIMBURSE THE COMMISSION FOR ANY COSTS RELATED TO THE  
9 ISSUANCE OF THE LICENSE OR THE RACE MEETING; AND

10 (2) ALLOCATE TO GBMC HEALTHCARE, OR ANOTHER CHARITABLE  
11 INSTITUTION AS THE LICENSEE MAY DESIGNATE, ALL PROFITS EARNED UNDER THIS  
12 SECTION, INCLUDING MONEY FROM PARI-MUTUEL BETTING, ADMISSION CHARGES,  
13 AND OTHER RECEIPTS.

14 **11-7A-03.**

15 (A) THE LICENSEE SHALL DEDUCT FROM THE HANDLE:

16 (1) ALL THE BREAKAGE; AND

17 (2) 25%.

18 (B) MONEY THAT REMAINS AFTER THE DEDUCTIONS ARE MADE UNDER  
19 SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE RETURNED AS WINNINGS TO  
20 SUCCESSFUL BETTORS.

21 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July  
22 1, 2018.