



500 Redland Court, Suite 105  
Owings Mills, MD 21117  
Phone: 410.902.6842  
info@mdhorsemen.com

House Bill 17 (Delegate Atterbeary)  
Internet Gaming – Authorization and Implementation  
House Ways and Means Committee  
February 10, 2025  
Favorable with Amendments

Chair Atterbeary,

The Maryland Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association (MTHA) is the officially authorized organization that represents, assists and promotes the interests of Maryland's Thoroughbred owners and trainers in the State. We thank you for your long-standing support of Maryland's storied thoroughbred racing industry, and furthermore, by including the Purse Dedication (PDA) in your proposed iGaming framework's revenue distributions.

Under current law, the PDA currently receives a percentage of brick-and-mortar casino gaming proceeds, rather than a fixed amount. We respectfully request that a similar, percentage-based distribution to the PDA also apply to the iGaming distributions in House Bill 17 and urge a favorable with amendments report on House Bill 17.

Sincerely,

David G. Richardson  
Executive Director, MTHA

House Bill 17  
(First Reading File Bill)

On page 19, after "(iii)", insert "1% of all proceeds"; and strike in their entirety lines 3 through 7.