BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 557
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1
        At the top of the page, insert "EMERGENCY BILL"; in line 2, strike "Harness"; in line 4, after "prohibition;" insert "altering a certain restriction on holding racing after a certain time by a thoroughbred racing licensee; making this Act an emergency measure;"; and after line 5, insert:

"BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
        Article - Business Regulation
        Section 11-504(a)
        Annotated Code of Maryland
        (1992 Volume and 1996 Supplement)".

AMENDMENT NO. 2
        After line 18, insert:

"11-504.

        (a) A licensee may not hold racing after 6:15 p.m. unless:

                (1) circumstances beyond the control of the licensee cause a delay; [or]

                (2) the racing day is of national prominence; OR

                (3) THE RACING CONSISTS OF BETTING ON RACES HELD AT AN OUT-OF-STATE TRACK, AND THE RACING IS AUTHORIZED UNDER § 11-804 OF THIS TITLE.".

AMENDMENT NO. 3

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In line 23, after "HOLD" insert "<u>LIVE</u>".

<u>AMENDMENT NO. 4</u>

In lines 25 and 26, strike "shall take effect October 1, 1997" and substitute "<u>is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is enacted</u>".