

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 837

(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 11, after “funds;” insert “requiring the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation to initiate the formation of certain partnerships; establishing certain conditions on the distribution and use of certain funds for marketing plans; requiring the Department to submit a certain report;”; in line 17, strike “\$6,000,000” and substitute “\$5,000,000”; after line 22 insert:

“(b) If lottery revenues do not provide the \$5,000,000 for the purposes specified in subsection (a) of this section, the Governor may request a deficiency appropriation during the 1999 Session to make up the difference.”;

in line 23, strike “(b)” and substitute “(c)”; and in line 26, strike “2(b)(8)” and substitute “2(c)(6)”.

On page 2, in line 4, strike “\$4,000,000” and substitute “\$5,000,000”; in line 10, after “(b)” insert “The Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation shall initiate the formation of a partnership of track operators, horse breeders, trainers, and others, as appropriate, who are representative of thoroughbred and standardbred sectors of the industry to assist in developing industry marketing surveys and strategies.”

(c);

in the same line, after “funds” insert “provided in subsection (a) of this section”; in line 11, strike “\$200,000” and substitute “\$280,000”; in line 12, strike “Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation” and substitute “University System of Maryland”; in line 13, after “agencies” insert a comma; in line 14, after “Maryland” insert “, including both the racing and breeding components of the industry”; strike beginning with “and” in line 14 down through “possibilities” in line 15; in line 25, strike “and”; in line 29, strike “Laurel Park and”; in line 30, after “racing” insert “in Maryland and”; strike beginning with “any” in line 30 down through “Raceway;” in line 32 and substitute

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“with the cooperation of the industry partnership described under subsection (b) of this section;

(iv) Public-private partnership possibilities; and”.

On pages 2 and 3, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 34 on page 2 through line 7 on page 3, inclusive.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, in line 8, strike “(vi)” and substitute “(v)”; in lines 11, 16, 17, 19, and 21, strike “(3)”, “(4)”, “(5)”, “(6)”, and “(7)”, respectively, and substitute “(2)”, “(3)”, “(4)”, “(5)”, and “(6)”, respectively; strike beginning with “to” in line 13 down through “appropriation;” in line 15 and substitute “for grants to implement marketing plans that are approved by the Department and subject to the following provisions:

(i) the marketing funds shall be allocated with 70% dedicated to marketing for thoroughbred racing and 30% dedicated to marketing for harness racing;

(ii) up to \$500,000 may be used prior to the completion of the marketing study provided in paragraph (1) of this section, and the remaining \$1,000,000 shall be distributed after the completion of the marketing study, taking into consideration the recommendations of that study; and

(iii) prior to the payment of any funds under this paragraph, the grantee shall provide and expend a matching fund that is at least equal to the amount of the grant and provide evidence of that expenditure;”;

and in line 23, strike “\$1,910,000” and substitute “\$2,980,000”.

On page 4, in line 1, strike “(c)” and substitute “(d)”; in line 2, strike “(b)(1) and (2)” and substitute “(c)(1)”; in line 4, after “Assembly” insert “, and the study under subsection (c)(1)(iii) of this section on market survey research and strategies shall be submitted on or before October 1, 1998 according to the same procedure”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 4, in line 25, after “ENACTED,” insert “That the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation shall provide a report to the Senate Finance and Budget and Taxation Committees and the House Ways and Means and Appropriations Committees on the distribution and use of the marketing funds under Section 2 of this Act by June 30, 1999.”

SECTION 7. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED.”.