

HOUSE BILL 557

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CF SB 491

By: **Delegates Hubbard and Valentino-Smith**

Introduced and read first time: February 8, 2011

Assigned to: Ways and Means

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Horse Racing – Bowie Race Course Training Center – Ownership Transfer**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the owner of the Bowie Race Course Training Center
4 to convey certain property associated with the training center to the State as
5 preserved land under Program Open Space; and generally relating to horse
6 racing and the Bowie Race Course Training Center.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
8 Article – Business Regulation
9 Section 11–519
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2010 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)

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

14 **Article – Business Regulation**

15 11–519.

16 (a) The owner of the Bowie Race Course Training Center shall operate the
17 Center as a thoroughbred training facility to provide more stall space for a race
18 meeting that a licensee holds.

19 (b) The owner of the Bowie Race Course Training Center is responsible for
20 the cost to improve, maintain, and operate the Center.

21 (c) As long as the Bowie Race Course Training Center is used for the purpose
22 specified in subsection (a) of this section, the Commission shall have general
23 regulatory jurisdiction over the Center to:

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



- 1 (1) provide enough stalls;
- 2 (2) maintain safe operating conditions;
- 3 (3) require the owner of the Center to submit an annual operating
4 financial statement; and
- 5 (4) order reasonable improvements.

6 **(D) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTIONS (A), (B), AND (C) OF THIS**
7 **SECTION, THE OWNER OF THE BOWIE RACE COURSE TRAINING CENTER MAY**
8 **CONVEY THE PROPERTY ASSOCIATED WITH THE BOWIE RACE COURSE**
9 **TRAINING CENTER TO THE STATE AS PRESERVED LAND UNDER PROGRAM**
10 **OPEN SPACE.**

11 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
12 October 1, 2011.