Chapter 127

(House Bill 590)

AN ACT concerning

Horse Racing – Maryland Standardbred Race Fund Advisory Committee – Registration of Horses

FOR the purpose of altering a method by which a horse may be registered with the Maryland Standardbred Race Fund Advisory Committee to enable the horse to start in a race of the Foaled Stakes Program; and generally relating to horse racing and the Maryland Standardbred Race Fund Advisory Committee.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
    Article – Business Regulation
    Section 11–623(a) and (b)
    Annotated Code of Maryland
    (2010 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
    Article – Business Regulation
    Section 11–632
    Annotated Code of Maryland
    (2010 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)

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

Article – Business Regulation

11–623.

(a)   In this part the following words have the meanings indicated.

(b)   "Advisory Committee" means the Maryland Standardbred Race Fund Advisory Committee.

11–632.

(a)   A horse shall be registered with the Advisory Committee before the horse may start in a race of the Foaled Stakes Program.

(b)   A horse may be registered with the Advisory Committee only if the horse was foaled in Maryland as shown by a foal certificate from the United States Trotting Association and:

(1)   the breeder of the horse has maintained a place of abode in Maryland for more than 9 months immediately before registration;

(2)   the breeder of the horse keeps breeding stock continually in Maryland;

(3)   the horse was conceived [in Maryland] during the previous season **BY THE HORSE'S DAM BEING COVERED BY A MARYLAND STALLION REGISTERED WITH THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**; or

(4)   the horse's dam was sent to Maryland to foal and after foaling was covered by a Maryland stallion during the season of the horse's birth.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2012.

Approved by the Governor, April 10, 2012.