

Chapter 434

(House Bill 988)

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Horse Racing Act – Sunset Extension and Program Evaluation

FOR the purpose of extending the date on which the Maryland Horse Racing Act terminates; requiring that an evaluation in accordance with the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) be made of the State Racing Commission, the Maryland–Bred Race Fund Advisory Committee, and the Maryland Standardbred Race Fund Advisory Committee and the related statutes and regulations on or before a certain date; and generally relating to the Maryland Horse Racing Act.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Business Regulation
Section 11–1101
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Regulation
Section 11–1102
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 8–403(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 8–403(b)(34), (47), and (53)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

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

Article – Business Regulation

11-1101.

This title is the Maryland Horse Racing Act.

11-1102.

Subject to the evaluation and reestablishment provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act, this title and all regulations adopted under this title shall terminate on July 1, [2014] **2024**.

Article – State Government

8-403.

(a) On or before December 15 of the evaluation year specified, the Department shall:

(1) conduct a preliminary evaluation of each governmental activity or unit to be evaluated under this section; and

(2) prepare a report on each preliminary evaluation conducted.

(b) Each of the following governmental activities or units and the statutes and regulations that relate to the governmental activities or units are subject to preliminary evaluation in the evaluation year specified:

(34) Maryland-Bred Race Fund Advisory Committee (§ 11-531 of the Business Regulation Article: [2011] **2021**);

(47) Racing Commission, State (§ 11-201 of the Business Regulation Article: [2011] **2021**);

(53) Standardbred Race Fund Advisory Committee, Maryland (§ 11-625 of the Business Regulation Article: [2011] **2021**);

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2014.

Approved by the Governor, May 5, 2014.