

## Division of Racing

*Many bills in the 2018 General Assembly pertained to racing. Below are the bills that will have an impact on the division and its stakeholders.*

Bill Number	Bill Name	Effective Date	Description	Stakeholder Impact
HB 1721/ SB 1158	<a href="#">Horse Racing - Maryland International and Preakness Stakes Incentives - Modifications</a>	July 1, 2018 and July 1, 2019	Altering the amount available for a purse for the Maryland International thoroughbred race by specifying the amount is up to \$500,000; specifying that the Maryland International is a graded stakes race; authorizing the Maryland International to continue to be conducted after June 30, 2019; requiring that certain money distributed to the Racing Special Fund and paid for certain purposes remain available for those purposes and may not be used for any other purpose; etc.	Under this law, there will be money from the Racing Special Fund in a lockbox.
HB 130/ SB 32	<a href="#">Video Lottery Terminal Proceeds - Local Impact Grants - Distribution to Communities Near Laurel Race Course</a>	July 1, 2018	Repealing the termination of a distribution of certain local impact grant funds from video lottery terminal proceeds to communities within 3 miles of the Laurel Race Course.	Under this law, Video lottery terminal money can now go to helping projects within a 3 mile radius of Laurel Racecourse.
HB 1592/ SB 851	<a href="#">Maryland Jockey Injury Compensation Fund, Inc. - Designation as Employer and Membership</a>	Oct 1, 2018	Requiring that the membership of the Maryland Jockey Injury Compensation Fund, Inc. consist of each licensed owner and trainer who is subject to a certain assessment; altering the circumstances under which a jockey is a covered employee under workers' compensation law; altering a certain provision of law to provide that the employer of a jockey who is a covered employee under workers' compensation law is the Fund; etc.	This law clarifies the coverage under the Jockey Injury Compensation Fund as an employer providing workers' compensation benefits to jockeys.

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HB 1177/ SB 1115	<a href="#">Horse Racing – Interstate Compact on Anti-Doping and Drug Testing Standards</a>	Oct 1, 2018	Entering into the Interstate Anti-Doping and Drug Testing Standards Compact; providing the purpose of the Compact is to facilitate joint action to create more uniform and effective breed specific rules on the permitted and prohibited use of drugs and medications for the welfare of the horse; establishing the Interstate Anti-Doping and Drug Testing Standards Compact Commission to administer the Compact; providing for the composition, voting procedures, operation, and powers and duties of the Commission; etc.	Under this agreement, Maryland entered into the Anti-Doping compact which creates uniform rules on the use of performance enhancing drugs in horse racing.
HB 392	<a href="#">Video Lottery Terminal Revenues - Purse Dedication Account - Standardbred Racetrack Operating Loss Assistance</a>	Oct 1, 2018	Providing for certain calendar years the authorization to use certain Purse Dedication Account funds generated from video lottery proceeds for operating loss assistance by the Ocean Downs Race Course and Rosecroft Raceway to support a minimum of 40 annual live racing days at each race course.	This law distributes some video lottery proceeds from Purse Dedication Account to Ocean Downs/Rosecroft Raceway to support at least 40 live days of racing at each course.