

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 1279 Session of
1982

INTRODUCED BY REIBMAN, O'CONNELL, SINGEL, FUMO, MURRAY, MOORE
AND RHOADES, JANUARY 19, 1982

AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, SEPTEMBER 13, 1982

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of December 17, 1981 (P.L.435, No.135),
2 entitled "An act providing for the regulation of pari-mutuel
3 thoroughbred horse racing and harness horse racing
4 activities; imposing certain taxes and providing for the
5 disposition of funds from pari-mutuel tickets," further
6 providing for the distribution of moneys retained from pari-
7 mutuel pools. <—

8 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
9 hereby enacts as follows:

10 Section 1. Paragraph (3) of subsection (b) of section 222,
11 act of December 17, 1981 (P.L.435, No.135), known as the "Race
12 Horse Industry Reform Act," is amended to read: <—

13 Section 222. Distribution of moneys retained from pari-mutuel
14 pools; taxation.

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16 (b) The State Harness Racing Commission shall make all
17 distributions of moneys from the State Harness Racing Fund. The
18 State Horse Racing Commission shall make all distribution of
19 moneys from the State Horse Racing Fund. The commissions shall

1 distribute moneys from their respective funds in the following
2 manner:

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4 (3) An amount equal to the greater of \$750,000 from each
5 fund or the amount equivalent to one-fourth of one percent of
6 the amount wagered each racing day at thoroughbred horse race
7 meetings and harness horse race meetings shall be paid by
8 each commission, from their respective fund through the
9 Department of Revenue to the Department of Commerce for
10 distribution by the Secretary of Commerce to eligible
11 boroughs having a population of less than 12,000, eligible
12 cities having a population of less than 12,000, eligible
13 townships having a population of less than 12,000, each of
14 their municipality authorities, or county authorities
15 authorized to service the borough or township, for projects
16 providing for the construction, rehabilitation, alteration,
17 expansion or improvement of water facilities, sewage disposal
18 facilities and access roads, in amounts not to exceed 75% of
19 the cost, but not exceeding \$75,000 if in accordance with
20 regulations promulgated by the Secretary of Commerce and
21 approved by the Governor. No distribution shall be made in
22 connection with any project unless it is determined that the
23 project:

24 (i) is not in conflict with programs of other
25 departments of the Commonwealth;

26 (ii) is not inconsistent with an existing
27 development plan for the municipality;

28 (iii) could not otherwise be financed;

29 (iv) will strengthen the income-producing capability
30 of the municipality, or improve the health and safety of

1 the community;

2 (v) is necessary to orderly community development;

3 and

4 (vi) does not involve other State funds. Grants for

5 water facility projects may, however, be used in

6 conjunction with loans made under the act of _____, <—

7 ~~1982 (No. _____)~~, JUNE 22, 1982 (P.L.577, NO.167), entitled <—

8 "An act amending Title 32 (Forests, Waters and State

9 Parks) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, adding

10 provisions relating to water resources projects.

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12 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.