

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 1162 Session of 2011

INTRODUCED BY WOZNIAK, D. WHITE AND FERLO, JUNE 20, 2011

REFERRED TO COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT,
JUNE 20, 2011

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 incorporation.

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

9 Section 1. Section 203 of the act of December 17, 1981
10 (P.L.435, No.135), known as the Race Horse Industry Reform Act,
11 amended December 21, 1988 (P.L.1444, No.177), is amended to
12 read:

13 Section 203.

14 (c) [No] Except as set forth in this subsection or in
15 subsection (d), no corporation shall have the right to conduct
16 any horse race meet except on obtaining a license from the
17 appropriate commission and at the location or locations
18 designated in its license or any amendment thereto or as
19 approved at any time by the commission as the place or places at
20 which it was proposed to conduct its business. This restriction

1 shall not apply to any corporation whose racing plant or
2 usefulness, in the discretion of the appropriate commissions,
3 shall, for any reason beyond the control of the corporation, be
4 totally destroyed or so substantially interfered with as to
5 render same unfit for continued operation. Pending the
6 rebuilding or restoration of its usefulness, or the making of
7 the required repairs to the plant or the part destroyed or
8 damaged, the commissions may license such corporation to conduct
9 its horse race meetings at any other suitable location.

10 (d) A corporation may petition the appropriate commission to
11 relocate a racing plant from the municipality in which the
12 license was originally granted if the corporation has obtained
13 the license through any means, including through sale or a
14 bankruptcy proceeding, and, at the time of acquisition of the
15 license, the previous license holder has not begun construction
16 on the racing plant at the location originally authorized in the
17 license. The commission may grant the relocation of the license
18 upon good cause shown.

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