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Introduced by Sen. STACHOWSKI -- read twice and ordered printed, and  
when printed to be committed to the Committee on Racing, Gaming and  
Wagering

AN ACT to amend the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law, in  
relation to certain payments to the horsemen's organization

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEM-  
BLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1     Section 1. The opening paragraph of subdivision 2 of section 228 of  
2 the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law, as amended by chapter  
3 267 of the laws of 2008, is amended to read as follows:  
4     The state racing and wagering board shall, as a condition of racing,  
5 require any franchised corporation and every other corporation subject  
6 to its jurisdiction to withhold one percent of all purses, except that  
7 for the franchised corporation, starting on September first, two thou-  
8 sand seven [and continuing through August thirty-first, two thousand  
9 nine,] two percent of all purses shall be withheld, and, in the case of  
10 the franchised corporation, to pay such sum to the horsemen's organiza-  
11 tion or its successor that was first entitled to receive payments pursu-  
12 ant to this section in accordance with rules of the board adopted effec-  
13 tive November third, nineteen hundred eighty-three representing at least  
14 fifty-one percent of the owners and trainers utilizing the facilities of  
15 such franchised corporation, on the condition that such horsemen's  
16 organization shall expend as much as is necessary, but not to exceed  
17 one-half of one percent of such total sum, to acquire the equipment  
18 required to establish a program at a land grant university within this  
19 state with a regents approved veterinary college facility, to test for  
20 the presence of steroids in horses, provided further that the qualified  
21 organization shall also, in an amount to be determined by its board of  
22 directors, annually include in its expenditures for benevolence  
23 programs, funds to support an organization providing services necessary  
24 to backstretch employees, and, in the case of every other corporation,

EXPLANATION--Matter in *ITALICS* (underscored) is new; matter in brackets  
[ ] is old law to be omitted.

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1 to pay such one percent sum of purses to the horsemen's organization or  
2 its successor that was first entitled to receive payments pursuant to  
3 this section in accordance with rules of the board adopted effective May  
4 twenty-third, nineteen hundred eighty-six representing at least fifty-  
5 one percent of the owners and trainers utilizing the facilities of such  
6 corporation.

7 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.