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Introduced by M. of A. PRETLOW -- read once and referred to the Committee on Racing and Wagering

AN ACT to amend the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law, in relation to the imposition of fines

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

1 Section 1. The racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law is  
2 amended by adding a new section 213-a to read as follows:  
3 S 213-A. POWER OF THE BOARD TO IMPOSE FINES AND PENALTIES. IN ADDITION  
4 TO ITS POWER TO SUSPEND OR REVOKE LICENSES GRANTED BY IT, THE STATE  
5 RACING AND WAGERING BOARD IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED AND EMPOWERED TO IMPOSE  
6 MONETARY FINES UPON ANY CORPORATION, ASSOCIATION OR PERSON PARTICIPATING  
7 IN ANY WAY IN ANY THOROUGHBRED RACE MEET AT WHICH PARI-MUTUEL BETTING IS  
8 CONDUCTED, OTHER THAN AS A PATRON, AND WHETHER LICENSED BY THE BOARD OR  
9 NOT, FOR A VIOLATION OF ANY PROVISION OF THIS CHAPTER OR THE RULES  
10 PROMULGATED BY THE BOARD PURSUANT THERETO, NOT EXCEEDING TEN THOUSAND  
11 DOLLARS FOR EACH VIOLATION. THE BOARD IS FURTHER AUTHORIZED AND  
12 EMPOWERED TO IMPOSE MONETARY FINES, NOT EXCEEDING TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS  
13 FOR EACH VIOLATION, UPON ANY SUCH CORPORATION, ASSOCIATION OR PERSON FOR  
14 A VIOLATION OF ANY ORDER ISSUED BY THE BOARD PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE OR  
15 THE RULES PROMULGATED BY THE BOARD PURSUANT THERETO, PROVIDED THAT A  
16 COPY OF SUCH ORDER SHALL HAVE BEEN SERVED EITHER PERSONALLY OR BY REGIS-  
17 TERED MAIL, UPON THE CORPORATION, ASSOCIATION OR PERSON TO WHOM THE SAME  
18 WAS DIRECTED, PRIOR TO THE OCCURRENCE OF THE VIOLATION, FOR WHICH SUCH  
19 FINE IS IMPOSED. THE BOARD SHALL ONLY IMPOSE SUCH FINE UPON A CORPO-  
20 RATION, ASSOCIATION OR PERSON IN AN AMOUNT WHICH REFLECTS THE SEVERITY  
21 OF THE VIOLATION. THE BOARD SHALL IMPOSE SUCH FINES SUBJECT TO THE  
22 NOTICE AND HEARING PROVISIONS OF THE STATE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT.  
23 SUCH FINES SHALL BE PAID INTO THE TREASURY OF THE STATE. THE ACTION OF  
24 THE BOARD IN IMPOSING ANY MONETARY FINE SHALL BE REVIEWABLE IN THE

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

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1 SUPREME COURT IN THE MANNER PROVIDED BY AND SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF  
2 ARTICLE SEVENTY-EIGHT OF THE CIVIL PRACTICE LAW AND RULES.

3 S 2. Section 522 of the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law  
4 is amended by adding a new subdivision 4 to read as follows:

5 4. IN ADDITION TO ITS POWER TO SUSPEND OR REVOKE PLANS OF OPERATION  
6 APPROVED OR LICENSES GRANTED BY IT, THE BOARD IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED AND  
7 EMPOWERED TO IMPOSE MONETARY FINES UPON ANY CORPORATION, ASSOCIATION OR  
8 PERSON PARTICIPATING IN ANY WAY IN OFF-TRACK BETTING ON WHICH PARI-MUTU-  
9 EL BETTING IS CONDUCTED, OTHER THAN AS A PATRON, AND WHETHER LICENSED BY  
10 THE BOARD OR NOT, FOR A VIOLATION OF ANY PROVISION OF THIS CHAPTER, OR  
11 THE RULES PROMULGATED BY THE BOARD PURSUANT THERETO, OR AN APPROVED PLAN  
12 OF OPERATION, NOT EXCEEDING TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR EACH VIOLATION. THE  
13 BOARD IS FURTHER AUTHORIZED AND EMPOWERED TO IMPOSE MONETARY FINES, NOT  
14 EXCEEDING TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR EACH VIOLATION, UPON ANY SUCH CORPO-  
15 RATION, ASSOCIATION OR PERSON FOR A VIOLATION OF ANY ORDER ISSUED BY THE  
16 BOARD PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS CHAPTER OR THE RULES PROMULGAT-  
17 ED BY THE BOARD PURSUANT THERETO, PROVIDED THAT A COPY OF SUCH ORDER  
18 SHALL HAVE BEEN SERVED EITHER PERSONALLY OR BY CERTIFIED MAIL, UPON THE  
19 CORPORATION, ASSOCIATION OR PERSON TO WHOM THE SAME WAS DIRECTED, PRIOR  
20 TO THE OCCURRENCE OF THE VIOLATION FOR WHICH SUCH FINE IS IMPOSED. THE  
21 BOARD SHALL ONLY IMPOSE SUCH FINE UPON A CORPORATION, ASSOCIATION OR  
22 PERSON IN AN AMOUNT WHICH REFLECTS THE SEVERITY OF THE VIOLATION. THE  
23 BOARD SHALL IMPOSE SUCH MONETARY FINES, SUBJECT TO THE NOTICE AND HEAR-  
24 ING PROVISIONS OF THE STATE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT. SUCH FINES  
25 SHALL BE PAID INTO THE STATE TREASURY. THE ACTION OF THE BOARD IN IMPOS-  
26 ING ANY MONETARY FINE SHALL BE REVIEWABLE IN THE SUPREME COURT IN THE  
27 MANNER PROVIDED BY AND SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE  
28 SEVENTY-EIGHT OF THE CIVIL PRACTICE LAW AND RULES.

29 S 3. This act shall take effect immediately.