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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 certain payments to the horsemen's organization

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

Section 1. The opening paragraph of subdivision 2 of section 228 of the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law, as amended by chapter 267 of the laws of 2008, is amended to read as follows:

The state racing and wagering board shall, as a condition of racing, require any franchised corporation and every other corporation subject to its jurisdiction to withhold one percent of all purses, except that for the franchised corporation, starting on September first, two thousand seven and continuing through August thirty-first, two thousand [nine] TWELVE, two percent of all purses shall be withheld, and, in the case of the franchised corporation, to pay such sum to the horsemen's organization or its successor that was first entitled to receive payments pursuant to this section in accordance with rules of the board adopted effective November third, nineteen hundred eighty-three representing at least fifty-one percent of the owners and trainers utilizing the facilities of such franchised corporation, on the condition that such horsemen's organization shall expend as much as is necessary, but not to exceed one-half of one percent of such total sum, to acquire AND MAINTAIN the equipment required to establish a program at a land grant university within this state with a regents approved veterinary college facility, to test for the presence of steroids in horses, provided further that the qualified organization shall also, in an amount to be determined by its board of directors, annually include in its expenditures for benevolence programs, funds to support an organization providing services necessary to backstretch employees, and, in the case of every other corporation, to pay such one percent sum of purses to the

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

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

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.