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Introduced by Sen. BONACIC -- 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 establishing the commission on retired horses

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 article 7-A to read as follows:

3                                 ARTICLE 7-A

4                                 COMMISSION ON RETIRED HORSES

5 SECTION 710. COMMISSION ON RETIRED HORSES.

6                 711. POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE COMMISSION.

7                 712. VIOLATIONS; PENALTIES.

8     S 710. COMMISSION ON RETIRED HORSES. THERE IS HEREBY CREATED A COMMIS-  
9 SION ON RETIRED HORSES. SUCH COMMISSION SHALL CONSIST OF SEVEN MEMBERS,  
10 FOUR OF WHOM SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE GAMING COMMISSION, AND ONE EACH  
11 OF WHOM SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR, THE TEMPORARY PRESIDENT OF  
12 THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE ASSEMBLY, RESPECTIVELY.

13     S 711. POWERS AND DUTIES OF COMMISSION. 1. THE COMMISSION SHALL BE  
14 RESPONSIBLE FOR OVERSIGHT OF THE TREATMENT OF RETIRED RACE HORSES IN  
15 THIS STATE. SUCH OVERSIGHT SHALL MEAN THAT PRIOR TO THE SALE OR TRANSFER  
16 OF A RETIRED RACE HORSE, THE OWNER OF SUCH RACE HORSE SHALL FURNISH TO  
17 THE COMMISSION, ON A FORM PRESCRIBED BY THE COMMISSION, THE CONTACT  
18 INFORMATION OF THE NEW OWNER, WHICH SHALL AT LEAST INCLUDE THE NAME,  
19 ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER OF SUCH PERSON OR ENTITY. A RETIRED RACE HORSE  
20 MAY NOT BE TRANSPORTED ACROSS INTERNATIONAL BORDERS WITHOUT THE PRIOR  
21 AUTHORIZATION OF THE COMMISSION. IN THE EVENT THAT A TRANSFER OF A  
22 RETIRED RACE HORSE REQUIRES INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORT, THE NEW OWNER SHALL  
23 BE SUBJECT TO A BACKGROUND CHECK PRIOR TO THE COMMISSION'S AUTHORIZATION  
24 OF SUCH TRANSFER.

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

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1       2. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS ARTICLE, A RETIRED RACE HORSE SHALL MEAN  
2 EITHER A THOROUGHBRED OR STANDARD BRED HORSE REGISTERED IN NEW YORK NO  
3 LONGER ENGAGED IN HORSE RACING.

4       S 712. VIOLATIONS; PENALTIES. A VIOLATION OF ANY OF THE PROVISIONS OF  
5 THIS ARTICLE SHALL RESULT IN A CIVIL PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED FIVE HUNDRED  
6 DOLLARS AND REVOCATION OF AN OWNER'S RACING LICENSE.

7       S 2. This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall  
8 have become a law.