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## 2015-2016 Regular Sessions

## IN SENATE

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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 ASSEM-BLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

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

COMMISSION ON RETIRED HORSES

SECTION 710. COMMISSION ON RETIRED HORSES.

711. POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE COMMISSION.

712. VIOLATIONS; PENALTIES.

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

711. POWERS AND DUTIES OF COMMISSION. 1. THE COMMISSION SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR OVERSIGHT OF THE TREATMENT OF RETIRED RACE HORSES THIS STATE. SUCH OVERSIGHT SHALL MEAN THAT PRIOR TO THE SALE OR TRANSFER A RETIRED RACE HORSE, THE OWNER OF SUCH RACE HORSE SHALL FURNISH TO THE COMMISSION, ON A FORM PRESCRIBED BY THE COMMISSION, THE CONTACT INFORMATION OF THE NEW OWNER, WHICH SHALL AT LEAST INCLUDE THE NAME, ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER OF SUCH PERSON OR ENTITY. A RETIRED RACE TRANSPORTED ACROSS INTERNATIONAL BORDERS WITHOUT THE PRIOR MAY NOT BE

- AUTHORIZATION OF THE COMMISSION. IN THE EVENT 21 THAT A TRANSFER
- 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.

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

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

- S 712. VIOLATIONS; PENALTIES. A VIOLATION OF ANY OF THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ARTICLE SHALL RESULT IN A CIVIL PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED FIVE HUNDRED 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.