STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

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

AN ACT to amend the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law, in relation to allowing New York sire stakes eligibility for foals sired by New York state stallions

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. The opening paragraph of subdivision 1 and subdivision 2 of section 334 of the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law, the opening paragraph of subdivision 1 as amended by chapter 645 of the laws of 2021 and subdivision 2 as amended by chapter 445 of the laws of 1997, are amended and a new subdivision 3-a is added to read as follows:

The fund is further authorized and directed to conduct each year, at the New York state exposition, with the approval of the director of the exposition, or at any licensed pari-mutuel track in New York state, with a preference given to any available licensed pari-mutuel track that is five-eighths of a mile long or larger, colt, stake and overnight events for standardbred horses to provide contests for two year old and three year old colts and fillies at each gait of trotting and pacing. The colt, stake and overnight events so conducted for two year old and three year old colts and fillies at each gait of trotting and pacing hereunder shall be conditioned to admit only those colts and fillies [~~dropped from a mare bred in this state and~~] sired by a stallion owned or leased and permanently standing for service at and within this state at the time of the said foal's conception, provided, however, that such [~~mare,~~] stallion, and foal shall be microchipped with such microchip information which the commission may request be provided and made available pursuant to section two hundred twenty-five of this chapter. Such colt, stake and overnight events shall be opened for nomination not earlier than the first day of January in the year the event is to be held and only colts

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

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and fillies and horses complying with the following standards shall be eligible for such nomination:

2. The fund is further authorized and directed in each year, in cooperation with each licensee harness track in this state, to provide for the running of stake events conditioned to admit only two year old and three year old colts and fillies [~~dropped from a mare bred in this state and~~] sired by a stallion owned or leased and permanently standing for service at and within this state at the time of the said foal's conception, at each gait of trotting and pacing, to be known as "New York sire stakes" and to contribute to the purses, stakes or prizes to be awarded in such "New York sire stakes", such sums as the fund shall deem advisable. The fund may prescribe a starting fee for such "New York-bred harness horse stakes" but in no event shall such fee be less than two per centum of the estimated purse for each entry. The fee prescribed shall be added to the purses awarded.

3-a. Subsequent to the year two thousand twenty-three, a foal shall be eligible for the "New York sire stakes" if sired by a stallion owned by a resident of this state or leased to a resident of this state for a period of no less than one year and standing for service within the state at the time of the foal's conception.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.