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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to purse agreements concerning horse racing
2 regulated by the racing and gaming commission.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 99F.6, subsection 4, paragraph a,
2 subparagraph (3), Code 2018, is amended to read as follows:

3 (3) The commission shall authorize, subject to the debt
4 payments for horse racetracks and the provisions of paragraph
5 "b" for dog racetracks, a licensee who is also licensed to
6 conduct pari-mutuel dog or horse racing to use receipts from
7 gambling games within the racetrack enclosure to supplement
8 purses for races particularly for Iowa-bred horses pursuant to
9 an agreement which shall be negotiated between the licensee and
10 representatives of the dog or horse owners. For agreements
11 subject to commission approval concerning purses for horse
12 racing beginning on or after January 1, 2006, the agreements
13 shall be negotiated between the licensee authorized to
14 conduct horse racing, an applicable contributory licensee,
15 and representatives of horse owners, and shall provide that
16 total annual purses for all horse racing shall be no less
17 than eleven percent of the first two hundred million dollars
18 of net receipts, and six percent of net receipts above two
19 hundred million dollars, of the licensee and any applicable
20 contributory licensee. In addition, live standardbred horse
21 racing shall not be conducted at the horse racetrack in Polk
22 county, but the purse moneys designated for standardbred racing
23 pursuant to [section 99D.7, subsection 5](#), paragraph "b", shall be
24 included in calculating the total annual purses required to be
25 paid pursuant to [this subsection](#). Agreements that are subject
26 to commission approval concerning horse purses for a period of
27 time beginning on or after January 1, 2006, shall be jointly
28 submitted to the commission for approval.

29 Sec. 2. Section 99F.6, subsection 4, paragraph a,
30 subparagraph (5), Code 2018, is amended to read as follows:

31 (5) For purposes of this paragraph:

32 (a) "Contributory licensee" means a licensee who is not
33 licensed to conduct pari-mutuel dog or horse racing that is
34 located within thirty-five miles of the horse racetrack in Polk
35 county.

1 **(b)** ~~net~~ Net receipts means the annual adjusted gross
2 receipts from all gambling games less the annual amount of
3 money pledged by the owner of the facility to fund a project
4 approved to receive vision Iowa funds as of July 1, 2004.

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EXPLANATION

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The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

8 This bill concerns purse agreements relating to horse racing
9 governed by the racing and gaming commission.

10 Code section 99F.6, concerning requirements of an applicant
11 licensed to conduct gambling games, is amended relative to
12 agreements governing purses for horse racing conducted at the
13 horse racetrack located in Polk county. The bill defines
14 "contributory licensee" as a gambling games licensee that
15 does not conduct horse or dog races that is located within 35
16 miles of the racetrack in Polk county. The bill then provides
17 that any agreement governing purses for horse racing shall be
18 negotiated between the licensee of the horse racetrack, any
19 contributory licensee, and horse owners and further provides
20 that receipts from gambling games at the contributory licensee
21 shall also be used to determine the total annual purses for all
22 horse racing.