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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

230 ILCS 5/26

from Ch. 8, par. 37-26

Amends the Illinois Horse Racing Act of 1975. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning wagering.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning gaming.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Illinois Horse Racing Act of 1975 is amended
5 by changing Section 26 as follows:

6 (230 ILCS 5/26) (from Ch. 8, par. 37-26)

7 Sec. 26. Wagering.

8 (a) Any licensee may conduct and ~~and~~ supervise the
9 pari-mutuel system of wagering, as defined in Section 3.12 of
10 this Act, on horse races conducted by an Illinois organization
11 licensee or conducted at a racetrack located in another state
12 or country and televised in Illinois in accordance with
13 subsection (g) of Section 26 of this Act. Subject to the prior
14 consent of the Board, licensees may supplement any pari-mutuel
15 pool in order to guarantee a minimum distribution. Such
16 pari-mutuel method of wagering shall not, under any
17 circumstances if conducted under the provisions of this Act, be
18 held or construed to be unlawful, other statutes of this State
19 to the contrary notwithstanding. Subject to rules for advance
20 wagering promulgated by the Board, any licensee may accept
21 wagers in advance of the day of the race wagered upon occurs.

22 (b) No other method of betting, pool making, wagering or
23 gambling shall be used or permitted by the licensee. Each

1 licensee may retain, subject to the payment of all applicable
2 taxes and purses, an amount not to exceed 17% of all money
3 wagered under subsection (a) of this Section, except as may
4 otherwise be permitted under this Act.

5 (b-5) An individual may place a wager under the pari-mutuel
6 system from any licensed location authorized under this Act
7 provided that wager is electronically recorded in the manner
8 described in Section 3.12 of this Act. Any wager made
9 electronically by an individual while physically on the
10 premises of a licensee shall be deemed to have been made at the
11 premises of that licensee.

12 (c) Until January 1, 2000, the sum held by any licensee for
13 payment of outstanding pari-mutuel tickets, if unclaimed prior
14 to December 31 of the next year, shall be retained by the
15 licensee for payment of such tickets until that date. Within 10
16 days thereafter, the balance of such sum remaining unclaimed,
17 less any uncashed supplements contributed by such licensee for
18 the purpose of guaranteeing minimum distributions of any
19 pari-mutuel pool, shall be paid to the Illinois Veterans'
20 Rehabilitation Fund of the State treasury, except as provided
21 in subsection (g) of Section 27 of this Act.

22 (c-5) Beginning January 1, 2000, the sum held by any
23 licensee for payment of outstanding pari-mutuel tickets, if
24 unclaimed prior to December 31 of the next year, shall be
25 retained by the licensee for payment of such tickets until that
26 date. Within 10 days thereafter, the balance of such sum

1 remaining unclaimed, less any uncashed supplements contributed
2 by such licensee for the purpose of guaranteeing minimum
3 distributions of any pari-mutuel pool, shall be evenly
4 distributed to the purse account of the organization licensee
5 and the organization licensee.

6 (d) A pari-mutuel ticket shall be honored until December 31
7 of the next calendar year, and the licensee shall pay the same
8 and may charge the amount thereof against unpaid money
9 similarly accumulated on account of pari-mutuel tickets not
10 presented for payment.

11 (e) No licensee shall knowingly permit any minor, other
12 than an employee of such licensee or an owner, trainer, jockey,
13 driver, or employee thereof, to be admitted during a racing
14 program unless accompanied by a parent or guardian, or any
15 minor to be a patron of the pari-mutuel system of wagering
16 conducted or supervised by it. The admission of any
17 unaccompanied minor, other than an employee of the licensee or
18 an owner, trainer, jockey, driver, or employee thereof at a
19 race track is a Class C misdemeanor.

20 (f) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this Act, an
21 organization licensee may contract with an entity in another
22 state or country to permit any legal wagering entity in another
23 state or country to accept wagers solely within such other
24 state or country on races conducted by the organization
25 licensee in this State. Beginning January 1, 2000, these wagers
26 shall not be subject to State taxation. Until January 1, 2000,

1 when the out-of-State entity conducts a pari-mutuel pool
2 separate from the organization licensee, a privilege tax equal
3 to 7 1/2% of all monies received by the organization licensee
4 from entities in other states or countries pursuant to such
5 contracts is imposed on the organization licensee, and such
6 privilege tax shall be remitted to the Department of Revenue
7 within 48 hours of receipt of the moneys from the simulcast.
8 When the out-of-State entity conducts a combined pari-mutuel
9 pool with the organization licensee, the tax shall be 10% of
10 all monies received by the organization licensee with 25% of
11 the receipts from this 10% tax to be distributed to the county
12 in which the race was conducted.

13 An organization licensee may permit one or more of its
14 races to be utilized for pari-mutuel wagering at one or more
15 locations in other states and may transmit audio and visual
16 signals of races the organization licensee conducts to one or
17 more locations outside the State or country and may also permit
18 pari-mutuel pools in other states or countries to be combined
19 with its gross or net wagering pools or with wagering pools
20 established by other states.

21 (g) A host track may accept interstate simulcast wagers on
22 horse races conducted in other states or countries and shall
23 control the number of signals and types of breeds of racing in
24 its simulcast program, subject to the disapproval of the Board.
25 The Board may prohibit a simulcast program only if it finds
26 that the simulcast program is clearly adverse to the integrity

1 of racing. The host track simulcast program shall include the
2 signal of live racing of all organization licensees. All
3 non-host licensees and advance deposit wagering licensees
4 shall carry the signal of and accept wagers on live racing of
5 all organization licensees. Advance deposit wagering licensees
6 shall not be permitted to accept out-of-state wagers on any
7 Illinois signal provided pursuant to this Section without the
8 approval and consent of the organization licensee providing the
9 signal. Non-host licensees may carry the host track simulcast
10 program and shall accept wagers on all races included as part
11 of the simulcast program upon which wagering is permitted. All
12 organization licensees shall provide their live signal to all
13 advance deposit wagering licensees for a simulcast commission
14 fee not to exceed 6% of the advance deposit wagering licensee's
15 Illinois handle on the organization licensee's signal without
16 prior approval by the Board. The Board may adopt rules under
17 which it may permit simulcast commission fees in excess of 6%.
18 The Board shall adopt rules limiting the interstate commission
19 fees charged to an advance deposit wagering licensee. The Board
20 shall adopt rules regarding advance deposit wagering on
21 interstate simulcast races that shall reflect, among other
22 things, the General Assembly's desire to maximize revenues to
23 the State, horsemen purses, and organizational licensees.
24 However, organization licensees providing live signals
25 pursuant to the requirements of this subsection (g) may
26 petition the Board to withhold their live signals from an

1 advance deposit wagering licensee if the organization licensee
2 discovers and the Board finds reputable or credible information
3 that the advance deposit wagering licensee is under
4 investigation by another state or federal governmental agency,
5 the advance deposit wagering licensee's license has been
6 suspended in another state, or the advance deposit wagering
7 licensee's license is in revocation proceedings in another
8 state. The organization licensee's provision of their live
9 signal to an advance deposit wagering licensee under this
10 subsection (g) pertains to wagers placed from within Illinois.
11 Advance deposit wagering licensees may place advance deposit
12 wagering terminals at wagering facilities as a convenience to
13 customers. The advance deposit wagering licensee shall not
14 charge or collect any fee from purses for the placement of the
15 advance deposit wagering terminals. The costs and expenses of
16 the host track and non-host licensees associated with
17 interstate simulcast wagering, other than the interstate
18 commission fee, shall be borne by the host track and all
19 non-host licensees incurring these costs. The interstate
20 commission fee shall not exceed 5% of Illinois handle on the
21 interstate simulcast race or races without prior approval of
22 the Board. The Board shall promulgate rules under which it may
23 permit interstate commission fees in excess of 5%. The
24 interstate commission fee and other fees charged by the sending
25 racetrack, including, but not limited to, satellite decoder
26 fees, shall be uniformly applied to the host track and all

1 non-host licensees.

2 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, until
3 January 1, 2013, an organization licensee may maintain a system
4 whereby advance deposit wagering may take place or an
5 organization licensee, with the consent of the horsemen
6 association representing the largest number of owners,
7 trainers, jockeys, or standardbred drivers who race horses at
8 that organization licensee's racing meeting, may contract with
9 another person to carry out a system of advance deposit
10 wagering. Such consent may not be unreasonably withheld. All
11 advance deposit wagers placed from within Illinois must be
12 placed through a Board-approved advance deposit wagering
13 licensee; no other entity may accept an advance deposit wager
14 from a person within Illinois. All advance deposit wagering is
15 subject to any rules adopted by the Board. The Board may adopt
16 rules necessary to regulate advance deposit wagering through
17 the use of emergency rulemaking in accordance with Section 5-45
18 of the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act. The General
19 Assembly finds that the adoption of rules to regulate advance
20 deposit wagering is deemed an emergency and necessary for the
21 public interest, safety, and welfare. An advance deposit
22 wagering licensee may retain all moneys as agreed to by
23 contract with an organization licensee. Any moneys retained by
24 the organization licensee from advance deposit wagering, not
25 including moneys retained by the advance deposit wagering
26 licensee, shall be paid 50% to the organization licensee's

1 purse account and 50% to the organization licensee. If more
2 than one breed races at the same race track facility, then the
3 50% of the moneys to be paid to an organization licensee's
4 purse account shall be allocated among all organization
5 licensees' purse accounts operating at that race track facility
6 proportionately based on the actual number of host days that
7 the Board grants to that breed at that race track facility in
8 the current calendar year. To the extent any fees from advance
9 deposit wagering conducted in Illinois for wagers in Illinois
10 or other states have been placed in escrow or otherwise
11 withheld from wagers pending a determination of the legality of
12 advance deposit wagering, no action shall be brought to declare
13 such wagers or the disbursement of any fees previously escrowed
14 illegal.

15 (1) Between the hours of 6:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. an
16 intertrack wagering licensee other than the host track may
17 supplement the host track simulcast program with
18 additional simulcast races or race programs, provided that
19 between January 1 and the third Friday in February of any
20 year, inclusive, if no live thoroughbred racing is
21 occurring in Illinois during this period, only
22 thoroughbred races may be used for supplemental interstate
23 simulcast purposes. The Board shall withhold approval for a
24 supplemental interstate simulcast only if it finds that the
25 simulcast is clearly adverse to the integrity of racing. A
26 supplemental interstate simulcast may be transmitted from

1 an intertrack wagering licensee to its affiliated non-host
2 licensees. The interstate commission fee for a
3 supplemental interstate simulcast shall be paid by the
4 non-host licensee and its affiliated non-host licensees
5 receiving the simulcast.

6 (2) Between the hours of 6:30 p.m. and 6:30 a.m. an
7 intertrack wagering licensee other than the host track may
8 receive supplemental interstate simulcasts only with the
9 consent of the host track, except when the Board finds that
10 the simulcast is clearly adverse to the integrity of
11 racing. Consent granted under this paragraph (2) to any
12 intertrack wagering licensee shall be deemed consent to all
13 non-host licensees. The interstate commission fee for the
14 supplemental interstate simulcast shall be paid by all
15 participating non-host licensees.

16 (3) Each licensee conducting interstate simulcast
17 wagering may retain, subject to the payment of all
18 applicable taxes and the purses, an amount not to exceed
19 17% of all money wagered. If any licensee conducts the
20 pari-mutuel system wagering on races conducted at
21 racetracks in another state or country, each such race or
22 race program shall be considered a separate racing day for
23 the purpose of determining the daily handle and computing
24 the privilege tax of that daily handle as provided in
25 subsection (a) of Section 27. Until January 1, 2000, from
26 the sums permitted to be retained pursuant to this

1 subsection, each intertrack wagering location licensee
2 shall pay 1% of the pari-mutuel handle wagered on simulcast
3 wagering to the Horse Racing Tax Allocation Fund, subject
4 to the provisions of subparagraph (B) of paragraph (11) of
5 subsection (h) of Section 26 of this Act.

6 (4) A licensee who receives an interstate simulcast may
7 combine its gross or net pools with pools at the sending
8 racetracks pursuant to rules established by the Board. All
9 licensees combining their gross pools at a sending
10 racetrack shall adopt the take-out percentages of the
11 sending racetrack. A licensee may also establish a separate
12 pool and takeout structure for wagering purposes on races
13 conducted at race tracks outside of the State of Illinois.
14 The licensee may permit pari-mutuel wagers placed in other
15 states or countries to be combined with its gross or net
16 wagering pools or other wagering pools.

17 (5) After the payment of the interstate commission fee
18 (except for the interstate commission fee on a supplemental
19 interstate simulcast, which shall be paid by the host track
20 and by each non-host licensee through the host-track) and
21 all applicable State and local taxes, except as provided in
22 subsection (g) of Section 27 of this Act, the remainder of
23 moneys retained from simulcast wagering pursuant to this
24 subsection (g), and Section 26.2 shall be divided as
25 follows:

26 (A) For interstate simulcast wagers made at a host

1 track, 50% to the host track and 50% to purses at the
2 host track.

3 (B) For wagers placed on interstate simulcast
4 races, supplemental simulcasts as defined in
5 subparagraphs (1) and (2), and separately pooled races
6 conducted outside of the State of Illinois made at a
7 non-host licensee, 25% to the host track, 25% to the
8 non-host licensee, and 50% to the purses at the host
9 track.

10 (6) Notwithstanding any provision in this Act to the
11 contrary, non-host licensees who derive their licenses
12 from a track located in a county with a population in
13 excess of 230,000 and that borders the Mississippi River
14 may receive supplemental interstate simulcast races at all
15 times subject to Board approval, which shall be withheld
16 only upon a finding that a supplemental interstate
17 simulcast is clearly adverse to the integrity of racing.

18 (7) Notwithstanding any provision of this Act to the
19 contrary, after payment of all applicable State and local
20 taxes and interstate commission fees, non-host licensees
21 who derive their licenses from a track located in a county
22 with a population in excess of 230,000 and that borders the
23 Mississippi River shall retain 50% of the retention from
24 interstate simulcast wagers and shall pay 50% to purses at
25 the track from which the non-host licensee derives its
26 license as follows:

1 (A) Between January 1 and the third Friday in
2 February, inclusive, if no live thoroughbred racing is
3 occurring in Illinois during this period, when the
4 interstate simulcast is a standardbred race, the purse
5 share to its standardbred purse account;

6 (B) Between January 1 and the third Friday in
7 February, inclusive, if no live thoroughbred racing is
8 occurring in Illinois during this period, and the
9 interstate simulcast is a thoroughbred race, the purse
10 share to its interstate simulcast purse pool to be
11 distributed under paragraph (10) of this subsection
12 (g);

13 (C) Between January 1 and the third Friday in
14 February, inclusive, if live thoroughbred racing is
15 occurring in Illinois, between 6:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.
16 the purse share from wagers made during this time
17 period to its thoroughbred purse account and between
18 6:30 p.m. and 6:30 a.m. the purse share from wagers
19 made during this time period to its standardbred purse
20 accounts;

21 (D) Between the third Saturday in February and
22 December 31, when the interstate simulcast occurs
23 between the hours of 6:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m., the purse
24 share to its thoroughbred purse account;

25 (E) Between the third Saturday in February and
26 December 31, when the interstate simulcast occurs

1 between the hours of 6:30 p.m. and 6:30 a.m., the purse
2 share to its standardbred purse account.

3 (7.1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act
4 to the contrary, if no standardbred racing is conducted at
5 a racetrack located in Madison County during any calendar
6 year beginning on or after January 1, 2002, all moneys
7 derived by that racetrack from simulcast wagering and
8 inter-track wagering that (1) are to be used for purses and
9 (2) are generated between the hours of 6:30 p.m. and 6:30
10 a.m. during that calendar year shall be paid as follows:

11 (A) If the licensee that conducts horse racing at
12 that racetrack requests from the Board at least as many
13 racing dates as were conducted in calendar year 2000,
14 80% shall be paid to its thoroughbred purse account;
15 and

16 (B) Twenty percent shall be deposited into the
17 Illinois Colt Stakes Purse Distribution Fund and shall
18 be paid to purses for standardbred races for Illinois
19 conceived and foaled horses conducted at any county
20 fairgrounds. The moneys deposited into the Fund
21 pursuant to this subparagraph (B) shall be deposited
22 within 2 weeks after the day they were generated, shall
23 be in addition to and not in lieu of any other moneys
24 paid to standardbred purses under this Act, and shall
25 not be commingled with other moneys paid into that
26 Fund. The moneys deposited pursuant to this

1 subparagraph (B) shall be allocated as provided by the
2 Department of Agriculture, with the advice and
3 assistance of the Illinois Standardbred Breeders Fund
4 Advisory Board.

5 (7.2) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act
6 to the contrary, if no thoroughbred racing is conducted at
7 a racetrack located in Madison County during any calendar
8 year beginning on or after January 1, 2002, all moneys
9 derived by that racetrack from simulcast wagering and
10 inter-track wagering that (1) are to be used for purses and
11 (2) are generated between the hours of 6:30 a.m. and 6:30
12 p.m. during that calendar year shall be deposited as
13 follows:

14 (A) If the licensee that conducts horse racing at
15 that racetrack requests from the Board at least as many
16 racing dates as were conducted in calendar year 2000,
17 80% shall be deposited into its standardbred purse
18 account; and

19 (B) Twenty percent shall be deposited into the
20 Illinois Colt Stakes Purse Distribution Fund. Moneys
21 deposited into the Illinois Colt Stakes Purse
22 Distribution Fund pursuant to this subparagraph (B)
23 shall be paid to Illinois conceived and foaled
24 thoroughbred breeders' programs and to thoroughbred
25 purses for races conducted at any county fairgrounds
26 for Illinois conceived and foaled horses at the

1 discretion of the Department of Agriculture, with the
2 advice and assistance of the Illinois Thoroughbred
3 Breeders Fund Advisory Board. The moneys deposited
4 into the Illinois Colt Stakes Purse Distribution Fund
5 pursuant to this subparagraph (B) shall be deposited
6 within 2 weeks after the day they were generated, shall
7 be in addition to and not in lieu of any other moneys
8 paid to thoroughbred purses under this Act, and shall
9 not be commingled with other moneys deposited into that
10 Fund.

11 (7.3) If no live standardbred racing is conducted at a
12 racetrack located in Madison County in calendar year 2000
13 or 2001, an organization licensee who is licensed to
14 conduct horse racing at that racetrack shall, before
15 January 1, 2002, pay all moneys derived from simulcast
16 wagering and inter-track wagering in calendar years 2000
17 and 2001 and paid into the licensee's standardbred purse
18 account as follows:

19 (A) Eighty percent to that licensee's thoroughbred
20 purse account to be used for thoroughbred purses; and

21 (B) Twenty percent to the Illinois Colt Stakes
22 Purse Distribution Fund.

23 Failure to make the payment to the Illinois Colt Stakes
24 Purse Distribution Fund before January 1, 2002 shall result
25 in the immediate revocation of the licensee's organization
26 license, inter-track wagering license, and inter-track

1 wagering location license.

2 Moneys paid into the Illinois Colt Stakes Purse
3 Distribution Fund pursuant to this paragraph (7.3) shall be
4 paid to purses for standardbred races for Illinois
5 conceived and foaled horses conducted at any county
6 fairgrounds. Moneys paid into the Illinois Colt Stakes
7 Purse Distribution Fund pursuant to this paragraph (7.3)
8 shall be used as determined by the Department of
9 Agriculture, with the advice and assistance of the Illinois
10 Standardbred Breeders Fund Advisory Board, shall be in
11 addition to and not in lieu of any other moneys paid to
12 standardbred purses under this Act, and shall not be
13 commingled with any other moneys paid into that Fund.

14 (7.4) If live standardbred racing is conducted at a
15 racetrack located in Madison County at any time in calendar
16 year 2001 before the payment required under paragraph (7.3)
17 has been made, the organization licensee who is licensed to
18 conduct racing at that racetrack shall pay all moneys
19 derived by that racetrack from simulcast wagering and
20 inter-track wagering during calendar years 2000 and 2001
21 that (1) are to be used for purses and (2) are generated
22 between the hours of 6:30 p.m. and 6:30 a.m. during 2000 or
23 2001 to the standardbred purse account at that racetrack to
24 be used for standardbred purses.

25 (8) Notwithstanding any provision in this Act to the
26 contrary, an organization licensee from a track located in

1 a county with a population in excess of 230,000 and that
2 borders the Mississippi River and its affiliated non-host
3 licensees shall not be entitled to share in any retention
4 generated on racing, inter-track wagering, or simulcast
5 wagering at any other Illinois wagering facility.

6 (8.1) Notwithstanding any provisions in this Act to the
7 contrary, if 2 organization licensees are conducting
8 standardbred race meetings concurrently between the hours
9 of 6:30 p.m. and 6:30 a.m., after payment of all applicable
10 State and local taxes and interstate commission fees, the
11 remainder of the amount retained from simulcast wagering
12 otherwise attributable to the host track and to host track
13 purses shall be split daily between the 2 organization
14 licensees and the purses at the tracks of the 2
15 organization licensees, respectively, based on each
16 organization licensee's share of the total live handle for
17 that day, provided that this provision shall not apply to
18 any non-host licensee that derives its license from a track
19 located in a county with a population in excess of 230,000
20 and that borders the Mississippi River.

21 (9) (Blank).

22 (10) (Blank).

23 (11) (Blank).

24 (12) The Board shall have authority to compel all host
25 tracks to receive the simulcast of any or all races
26 conducted at the Springfield or DuQuoin State fairgrounds

1 and include all such races as part of their simulcast
2 programs.

3 (13) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act,
4 in the event that the total Illinois pari-mutuel handle on
5 Illinois horse races at all wagering facilities in any
6 calendar year is less than 75% of the total Illinois
7 pari-mutuel handle on Illinois horse races at all such
8 wagering facilities for calendar year 1994, then each
9 wagering facility that has an annual total Illinois
10 pari-mutuel handle on Illinois horse races that is less
11 than 75% of the total Illinois pari-mutuel handle on
12 Illinois horse races at such wagering facility for calendar
13 year 1994, shall be permitted to receive, from any amount
14 otherwise payable to the purse account at the race track
15 with which the wagering facility is affiliated in the
16 succeeding calendar year, an amount equal to 2% of the
17 differential in total Illinois pari-mutuel handle on
18 Illinois horse races at the wagering facility between that
19 calendar year in question and 1994 provided, however, that
20 a wagering facility shall not be entitled to any such
21 payment until the Board certifies in writing to the
22 wagering facility the amount to which the wagering facility
23 is entitled and a schedule for payment of the amount to the
24 wagering facility, based on: (i) the racing dates awarded
25 to the race track affiliated with the wagering facility
26 during the succeeding year; (ii) the sums available or

1 anticipated to be available in the purse account of the
2 race track affiliated with the wagering facility for purses
3 during the succeeding year; and (iii) the need to ensure
4 reasonable purse levels during the payment period. The
5 Board's certification shall be provided no later than
6 January 31 of the succeeding year. In the event a wagering
7 facility entitled to a payment under this paragraph (13) is
8 affiliated with a race track that maintains purse accounts
9 for both standardbred and thoroughbred racing, the amount
10 to be paid to the wagering facility shall be divided
11 between each purse account pro rata, based on the amount of
12 Illinois handle on Illinois standardbred and thoroughbred
13 racing respectively at the wagering facility during the
14 previous calendar year. Annually, the General Assembly
15 shall appropriate sufficient funds from the General
16 Revenue Fund to the Department of Agriculture for payment
17 into the thoroughbred and standardbred horse racing purse
18 accounts at Illinois pari-mutuel tracks. The amount paid to
19 each purse account shall be the amount certified by the
20 Illinois Racing Board in January to be transferred from
21 each account to each eligible racing facility in accordance
22 with the provisions of this Section.

23 (h) The Board may approve and license the conduct of
24 inter-track wagering and simulcast wagering by inter-track
25 wagering licensees and inter-track wagering location licensees
26 subject to the following terms and conditions:

1 (1) Any person licensed to conduct a race meeting (i)
2 at a track where 60 or more days of racing were conducted
3 during the immediately preceding calendar year or where
4 over the 5 immediately preceding calendar years an average
5 of 30 or more days of racing were conducted annually may be
6 issued an inter-track wagering license; (ii) at a track
7 located in a county that is bounded by the Mississippi
8 River, which has a population of less than 150,000
9 according to the 1990 decennial census, and an average of
10 at least 60 days of racing per year between 1985 and 1993
11 may be issued an inter-track wagering license; or (iii) at
12 a track located in Madison County that conducted at least
13 100 days of live racing during the immediately preceding
14 calendar year may be issued an inter-track wagering
15 license, unless a lesser schedule of live racing is the
16 result of (A) weather, unsafe track conditions, or other
17 acts of God; (B) an agreement between the organization
18 licensee and the associations representing the largest
19 number of owners, trainers, jockeys, or standardbred
20 drivers who race horses at that organization licensee's
21 racing meeting; or (C) a finding by the Board of
22 extraordinary circumstances and that it was in the best
23 interest of the public and the sport to conduct fewer than
24 100 days of live racing. Any such person having operating
25 control of the racing facility may also receive up to 6
26 inter-track wagering location licenses. In no event shall

1 more than 6 inter-track wagering locations be established
2 for each eligible race track, except that an eligible race
3 track located in a county that has a population of more
4 than 230,000 and that is bounded by the Mississippi River
5 may establish up to 7 inter-track wagering locations. An
6 application for said license shall be filed with the Board
7 prior to such dates as may be fixed by the Board. With an
8 application for an inter-track wagering location license
9 there shall be delivered to the Board a certified check or
10 bank draft payable to the order of the Board for an amount
11 equal to \$500. The application shall be on forms prescribed
12 and furnished by the Board. The application shall comply
13 with all other rules, regulations and conditions imposed by
14 the Board in connection therewith.

15 (2) The Board shall examine the applications with
16 respect to their conformity with this Act and the rules and
17 regulations imposed by the Board. If found to be in
18 compliance with the Act and rules and regulations of the
19 Board, the Board may then issue a license to conduct
20 inter-track wagering and simulcast wagering to such
21 applicant. All such applications shall be acted upon by the
22 Board at a meeting to be held on such date as may be fixed
23 by the Board.

24 (3) In granting licenses to conduct inter-track
25 wagering and simulcast wagering, the Board shall give due
26 consideration to the best interests of the public, of horse

1 racing, and of maximizing revenue to the State.

2 (4) Prior to the issuance of a license to conduct
3 inter-track wagering and simulcast wagering, the applicant
4 shall file with the Board a bond payable to the State of
5 Illinois in the sum of \$50,000, executed by the applicant
6 and a surety company or companies authorized to do business
7 in this State, and conditioned upon (i) the payment by the
8 licensee of all taxes due under Section 27 or 27.1 and any
9 other monies due and payable under this Act, and (ii)
10 distribution by the licensee, upon presentation of the
11 winning ticket or tickets, of all sums payable to the
12 patrons of pari-mutuel pools.

13 (5) Each license to conduct inter-track wagering and
14 simulcast wagering shall specify the person to whom it is
15 issued, the dates on which such wagering is permitted, and
16 the track or location where the wagering is to be
17 conducted.

18 (6) All wagering under such license is subject to this
19 Act and to the rules and regulations from time to time
20 prescribed by the Board, and every such license issued by
21 the Board shall contain a recital to that effect.

22 (7) An inter-track wagering licensee or inter-track
23 wagering location licensee may accept wagers at the track
24 or location where it is licensed, or as otherwise provided
25 under this Act.

26 (8) Inter-track wagering or simulcast wagering shall

1 not be conducted at any track less than 5 miles from a
2 track at which a racing meeting is in progress.

3 (8.1) Inter-track wagering location licensees who
4 derive their licenses from a particular organization
5 licensee shall conduct inter-track wagering and simulcast
6 wagering only at locations which are either within 90 miles
7 of that race track where the particular organization
8 licensee is licensed to conduct racing, or within 135 miles
9 of that race track where the particular organization
10 licensee is licensed to conduct racing in the case of race
11 tracks in counties of less than 400,000 that were operating
12 on or before June 1, 1986. However, inter-track wagering
13 and simulcast wagering shall not be conducted by those
14 licensees at any location within 5 miles of any race track
15 at which a horse race meeting has been licensed in the
16 current year, unless the person having operating control of
17 such race track has given its written consent to such
18 inter-track wagering location licensees, which consent
19 must be filed with the Board at or prior to the time
20 application is made.

21 (8.2) Inter-track wagering or simulcast wagering shall
22 not be conducted by an inter-track wagering location
23 licensee at any location within 500 feet of an existing
24 church or existing school, nor within 500 feet of the
25 residences of more than 50 registered voters without
26 receiving written permission from a majority of the

1 registered voters at such residences. Such written
2 permission statements shall be filed with the Board. The
3 distance of 500 feet shall be measured to the nearest part
4 of any building used for worship services, education
5 programs, residential purposes, or conducting inter-track
6 wagering by an inter-track wagering location licensee, and
7 not to property boundaries. However, inter-track wagering
8 or simulcast wagering may be conducted at a site within 500
9 feet of a church, school or residences of 50 or more
10 registered voters if such church, school or residences have
11 been erected or established, or such voters have been
12 registered, after the Board issues the original
13 inter-track wagering location license at the site in
14 question. Inter-track wagering location licensees may
15 conduct inter-track wagering and simulcast wagering only
16 in areas that are zoned for commercial or manufacturing
17 purposes or in areas for which a special use has been
18 approved by the local zoning authority. However, no license
19 to conduct inter-track wagering and simulcast wagering
20 shall be granted by the Board with respect to any
21 inter-track wagering location within the jurisdiction of
22 any local zoning authority which has, by ordinance or by
23 resolution, prohibited the establishment of an inter-track
24 wagering location within its jurisdiction. However,
25 inter-track wagering and simulcast wagering may be
26 conducted at a site if such ordinance or resolution is

1 enacted after the Board licenses the original inter-track
2 wagering location licensee for the site in question.

3 (9) (Blank).

4 (10) An inter-track wagering licensee or an
5 inter-track wagering location licensee may retain, subject
6 to the payment of the privilege taxes and the purses, an
7 amount not to exceed 17% of all money wagered. Each program
8 of racing conducted by each inter-track wagering licensee
9 or inter-track wagering location licensee shall be
10 considered a separate racing day for the purpose of
11 determining the daily handle and computing the privilege
12 tax or pari-mutuel tax on such daily handle as provided in
13 Section 27.

14 (10.1) Except as provided in subsection (g) of Section
15 27 of this Act, inter-track wagering location licensees
16 shall pay 1% of the pari-mutuel handle at each location to
17 the municipality in which such location is situated and 1%
18 of the pari-mutuel handle at each location to the county in
19 which such location is situated. In the event that an
20 inter-track wagering location licensee is situated in an
21 unincorporated area of a county, such licensee shall pay 2%
22 of the pari-mutuel handle from such location to such
23 county.

24 (10.2) Notwithstanding any other provision of this
25 Act, with respect to intertrack wagering at a race track
26 located in a county that has a population of more than

1 230,000 and that is bounded by the Mississippi River ("the
2 first race track"), or at a facility operated by an
3 inter-track wagering licensee or inter-track wagering
4 location licensee that derives its license from the
5 organization licensee that operates the first race track,
6 on races conducted at the first race track or on races
7 conducted at another Illinois race track and
8 simultaneously televised to the first race track or to a
9 facility operated by an inter-track wagering licensee or
10 inter-track wagering location licensee that derives its
11 license from the organization licensee that operates the
12 first race track, those moneys shall be allocated as
13 follows:

14 (A) That portion of all moneys wagered on
15 standardbred racing that is required under this Act to
16 be paid to purses shall be paid to purses for
17 standardbred races.

18 (B) That portion of all moneys wagered on
19 thoroughbred racing that is required under this Act to
20 be paid to purses shall be paid to purses for
21 thoroughbred races.

22 (11) (A) After payment of the privilege or pari-mutuel
23 tax, any other applicable taxes, and the costs and expenses
24 in connection with the gathering, transmission, and
25 dissemination of all data necessary to the conduct of
26 inter-track wagering, the remainder of the monies retained

1 under either Section 26 or Section 26.2 of this Act by the
2 inter-track wagering licensee on inter-track wagering
3 shall be allocated with 50% to be split between the 2
4 participating licensees and 50% to purses, except that an
5 intertrack wagering licensee that derives its license from
6 a track located in a county with a population in excess of
7 230,000 and that borders the Mississippi River shall not
8 divide any remaining retention with the Illinois
9 organization licensee that provides the race or races, and
10 an intertrack wagering licensee that accepts wagers on
11 races conducted by an organization licensee that conducts a
12 race meet in a county with a population in excess of
13 230,000 and that borders the Mississippi River shall not
14 divide any remaining retention with that organization
15 licensee.

16 (B) From the sums permitted to be retained pursuant to
17 this Act each inter-track wagering location licensee shall
18 pay (i) the privilege or pari-mutuel tax to the State; (ii)
19 4.75% of the pari-mutuel handle on intertrack wagering at
20 such location on races as purses, except that an intertrack
21 wagering location licensee that derives its license from a
22 track located in a county with a population in excess of
23 230,000 and that borders the Mississippi River shall retain
24 all purse moneys for its own purse account consistent with
25 distribution set forth in this subsection (h), and
26 intertrack wagering location licensees that accept wagers

1 on races conducted by an organization licensee located in a
2 county with a population in excess of 230,000 and that
3 borders the Mississippi River shall distribute all purse
4 moneys to purses at the operating host track; (iii) until
5 January 1, 2000, except as provided in subsection (g) of
6 Section 27 of this Act, 1% of the pari-mutuel handle
7 wagered on inter-track wagering and simulcast wagering at
8 each inter-track wagering location licensee facility to
9 the Horse Racing Tax Allocation Fund, provided that, to the
10 extent the total amount collected and distributed to the
11 Horse Racing Tax Allocation Fund under this subsection (h)
12 during any calendar year exceeds the amount collected and
13 distributed to the Horse Racing Tax Allocation Fund during
14 calendar year 1994, that excess amount shall be
15 redistributed (I) to all inter-track wagering location
16 licensees, based on each licensee's pro-rata share of the
17 total handle from inter-track wagering and simulcast
18 wagering for all inter-track wagering location licensees
19 during the calendar year in which this provision is
20 applicable; then (II) the amounts redistributed to each
21 inter-track wagering location licensee as described in
22 subpart (I) shall be further redistributed as provided in
23 subparagraph (B) of paragraph (5) of subsection (g) of this
24 Section 26 provided first, that the shares of those
25 amounts, which are to be redistributed to the host track or
26 to purses at the host track under subparagraph (B) of

1 paragraph (5) of subsection (g) of this Section 26 shall be
2 redistributed based on each host track's pro rata share of
3 the total inter-track wagering and simulcast wagering
4 handle at all host tracks during the calendar year in
5 question, and second, that any amounts redistributed as
6 described in part (I) to an inter-track wagering location
7 licensee that accepts wagers on races conducted by an
8 organization licensee that conducts a race meet in a county
9 with a population in excess of 230,000 and that borders the
10 Mississippi River shall be further redistributed as
11 provided in subparagraphs (D) and (E) of paragraph (7) of
12 subsection (g) of this Section 26, with the portion of that
13 further redistribution allocated to purses at that
14 organization licensee to be divided between standardbred
15 purses and thoroughbred purses based on the amounts
16 otherwise allocated to purses at that organization
17 licensee during the calendar year in question; and (iv) 8%
18 of the pari-mutuel handle on inter-track wagering wagered
19 at such location to satisfy all costs and expenses of
20 conducting its wagering. The remainder of the monies
21 retained by the inter-track wagering location licensee
22 shall be allocated 40% to the location licensee and 60% to
23 the organization licensee which provides the Illinois
24 races to the location, except that an intertrack wagering
25 location licensee that derives its license from a track
26 located in a county with a population in excess of 230,000

1 and that borders the Mississippi River shall not divide any
2 remaining retention with the organization licensee that
3 provides the race or races and an intertrack wagering
4 location licensee that accepts wagers on races conducted by
5 an organization licensee that conducts a race meet in a
6 county with a population in excess of 230,000 and that
7 borders the Mississippi River shall not divide any
8 remaining retention with the organization licensee.
9 Notwithstanding the provisions of clauses (ii) and (iv) of
10 this paragraph, in the case of the additional inter-track
11 wagering location licenses authorized under paragraph (1)
12 of this subsection (h) by this amendatory Act of 1991,
13 those licensees shall pay the following amounts as purses:
14 during the first 12 months the licensee is in operation,
15 5.25% of the pari-mutuel handle wagered at the location on
16 races; during the second 12 months, 5.25%; during the third
17 12 months, 5.75%; during the fourth 12 months, 6.25%; and
18 during the fifth 12 months and thereafter, 6.75%. The
19 following amounts shall be retained by the licensee to
20 satisfy all costs and expenses of conducting its wagering:
21 during the first 12 months the licensee is in operation,
22 8.25% of the pari-mutuel handle wagered at the location;
23 during the second 12 months, 8.25%; during the third 12
24 months, 7.75%; during the fourth 12 months, 7.25%; and
25 during the fifth 12 months and thereafter, 6.75%. For
26 additional intertrack wagering location licensees

1 authorized under this amendatory Act of 1995, purses for
2 the first 12 months the licensee is in operation shall be
3 5.75% of the pari-mutuel wagered at the location, purses
4 for the second 12 months the licensee is in operation shall
5 be 6.25%, and purses thereafter shall be 6.75%. For
6 additional intertrack location licensees authorized under
7 this amendatory Act of 1995, the licensee shall be allowed
8 to retain to satisfy all costs and expenses: 7.75% of the
9 pari-mutuel handle wagered at the location during its first
10 12 months of operation, 7.25% during its second 12 months
11 of operation, and 6.75% thereafter.

12 (C) There is hereby created the Horse Racing Tax
13 Allocation Fund which shall remain in existence until
14 December 31, 1999. Moneys remaining in the Fund after
15 December 31, 1999 shall be paid into the General Revenue
16 Fund. Until January 1, 2000, all monies paid into the Horse
17 Racing Tax Allocation Fund pursuant to this paragraph (11)
18 by inter-track wagering location licensees located in park
19 districts of 500,000 population or less, or in a
20 municipality that is not included within any park district
21 but is included within a conservation district and is the
22 county seat of a county that (i) is contiguous to the state
23 of Indiana and (ii) has a 1990 population of 88,257
24 according to the United States Bureau of the Census, and
25 operating on May 1, 1994 shall be allocated by
26 appropriation as follows:

1 Two-sevenths to the Department of Agriculture.
2 Fifty percent of this two-sevenths shall be used to
3 promote the Illinois horse racing and breeding
4 industry, and shall be distributed by the Department of
5 Agriculture upon the advice of a 9-member committee
6 appointed by the Governor consisting of the following
7 members: the Director of Agriculture, who shall serve
8 as chairman; 2 representatives of organization
9 licensees conducting thoroughbred race meetings in
10 this State, recommended by those licensees; 2
11 representatives of organization licensees conducting
12 standardbred race meetings in this State, recommended
13 by those licensees; a representative of the Illinois
14 Thoroughbred Breeders and Owners Foundation,
15 recommended by that Foundation; a representative of
16 the Illinois Standardbred Owners and Breeders
17 Association, recommended by that Association; a
18 representative of the Horsemen's Benevolent and
19 Protective Association or any successor organization
20 thereto established in Illinois comprised of the
21 largest number of owners and trainers, recommended by
22 that Association or that successor organization; and a
23 representative of the Illinois Harness Horsemen's
24 Association, recommended by that Association.
25 Committee members shall serve for terms of 2 years,
26 commencing January 1 of each even-numbered year. If a

1 representative of any of the above-named entities has
2 not been recommended by January 1 of any even-numbered
3 year, the Governor shall appoint a committee member to
4 fill that position. Committee members shall receive no
5 compensation for their services as members but shall be
6 reimbursed for all actual and necessary expenses and
7 disbursements incurred in the performance of their
8 official duties. The remaining 50% of this
9 two-sevenths shall be distributed to county fairs for
10 premiums and rehabilitation as set forth in the
11 Agricultural Fair Act;

12 Four-sevenths to park districts or municipalities
13 that do not have a park district of 500,000 population
14 or less for museum purposes (if an inter-track wagering
15 location licensee is located in such a park district)
16 or to conservation districts for museum purposes (if an
17 inter-track wagering location licensee is located in a
18 municipality that is not included within any park
19 district but is included within a conservation
20 district and is the county seat of a county that (i) is
21 contiguous to the state of Indiana and (ii) has a 1990
22 population of 88,257 according to the United States
23 Bureau of the Census, except that if the conservation
24 district does not maintain a museum, the monies shall
25 be allocated equally between the county and the
26 municipality in which the inter-track wagering

1 location licensee is located for general purposes) or
2 to a municipal recreation board for park purposes (if
3 an inter-track wagering location licensee is located
4 in a municipality that is not included within any park
5 district and park maintenance is the function of the
6 municipal recreation board and the municipality has a
7 1990 population of 9,302 according to the United States
8 Bureau of the Census); provided that the monies are
9 distributed to each park district or conservation
10 district or municipality that does not have a park
11 district in an amount equal to four-sevenths of the
12 amount collected by each inter-track wagering location
13 licensee within the park district or conservation
14 district or municipality for the Fund. Monies that were
15 paid into the Horse Racing Tax Allocation Fund before
16 the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1991 by an
17 inter-track wagering location licensee located in a
18 municipality that is not included within any park
19 district but is included within a conservation
20 district as provided in this paragraph shall, as soon
21 as practicable after the effective date of this
22 amendatory Act of 1991, be allocated and paid to that
23 conservation district as provided in this paragraph.
24 Any park district or municipality not maintaining a
25 museum may deposit the monies in the corporate fund of
26 the park district or municipality where the

1 inter-track wagering location is located, to be used
2 for general purposes; and

3 One-seventh to the Agricultural Premium Fund to be
4 used for distribution to agricultural home economics
5 extension councils in accordance with "An Act in
6 relation to additional support and finances for the
7 Agricultural and Home Economic Extension Councils in
8 the several counties of this State and making an
9 appropriation therefor", approved July 24, 1967.

10 Until January 1, 2000, all other monies paid into the
11 Horse Racing Tax Allocation Fund pursuant to this paragraph
12 (11) shall be allocated by appropriation as follows:

13 Two-sevenths to the Department of Agriculture.
14 Fifty percent of this two-sevenths shall be used to
15 promote the Illinois horse racing and breeding
16 industry, and shall be distributed by the Department of
17 Agriculture upon the advice of a 9-member committee
18 appointed by the Governor consisting of the following
19 members: the Director of Agriculture, who shall serve
20 as chairman; 2 representatives of organization
21 licensees conducting thoroughbred race meetings in
22 this State, recommended by those licensees; 2
23 representatives of organization licensees conducting
24 standardbred race meetings in this State, recommended
25 by those licensees; a representative of the Illinois
26 Thoroughbred Breeders and Owners Foundation,

1 recommended by that Foundation; a representative of
2 the Illinois Standardbred Owners and Breeders
3 Association, recommended by that Association; a
4 representative of the Horsemen's Benevolent and
5 Protective Association or any successor organization
6 thereto established in Illinois comprised of the
7 largest number of owners and trainers, recommended by
8 that Association or that successor organization; and a
9 representative of the Illinois Harness Horsemen's
10 Association, recommended by that Association.
11 Committee members shall serve for terms of 2 years,
12 commencing January 1 of each even-numbered year. If a
13 representative of any of the above-named entities has
14 not been recommended by January 1 of any even-numbered
15 year, the Governor shall appoint a committee member to
16 fill that position. Committee members shall receive no
17 compensation for their services as members but shall be
18 reimbursed for all actual and necessary expenses and
19 disbursements incurred in the performance of their
20 official duties. The remaining 50% of this
21 two-sevenths shall be distributed to county fairs for
22 premiums and rehabilitation as set forth in the
23 Agricultural Fair Act;

24 Four-sevenths to museums and aquariums located in
25 park districts of over 500,000 population; provided
26 that the monies are distributed in accordance with the

1 previous year's distribution of the maintenance tax
2 for such museums and aquariums as provided in Section 2
3 of the Park District Aquarium and Museum Act; and

4 One-seventh to the Agricultural Premium Fund to be
5 used for distribution to agricultural home economics
6 extension councils in accordance with "An Act in
7 relation to additional support and finances for the
8 Agricultural and Home Economic Extension Councils in
9 the several counties of this State and making an
10 appropriation therefor", approved July 24, 1967. This
11 subparagraph (C) shall be inoperative and of no force
12 and effect on and after January 1, 2000.

13 (D) Except as provided in paragraph (11) of this
14 subsection (h), with respect to purse allocation from
15 intertrack wagering, the monies so retained shall be
16 divided as follows:

17 (i) If the inter-track wagering licensee,
18 except an intertrack wagering licensee that
19 derives its license from an organization licensee
20 located in a county with a population in excess of
21 230,000 and bounded by the Mississippi River, is
22 not conducting its own race meeting during the same
23 dates, then the entire purse allocation shall be to
24 purses at the track where the races wagered on are
25 being conducted.

26 (ii) If the inter-track wagering licensee,

1 except an intertrack wagering licensee that
2 derives its license from an organization licensee
3 located in a county with a population in excess of
4 230,000 and bounded by the Mississippi River, is
5 also conducting its own race meeting during the
6 same dates, then the purse allocation shall be as
7 follows: 50% to purses at the track where the races
8 wagered on are being conducted; 50% to purses at
9 the track where the inter-track wagering licensee
10 is accepting such wagers.

11 (iii) If the inter-track wagering is being
12 conducted by an inter-track wagering location
13 licensee, except an intertrack wagering location
14 licensee that derives its license from an
15 organization licensee located in a county with a
16 population in excess of 230,000 and bounded by the
17 Mississippi River, the entire purse allocation for
18 Illinois races shall be to purses at the track
19 where the race meeting being wagered on is being
20 held.

21 (12) The Board shall have all powers necessary and
22 proper to fully supervise and control the conduct of
23 inter-track wagering and simulcast wagering by inter-track
24 wagering licensees and inter-track wagering location
25 licensees, including, but not limited to the following:

26 (A) The Board is vested with power to promulgate

1 reasonable rules and regulations for the purpose of
2 administering the conduct of this wagering and to
3 prescribe reasonable rules, regulations and conditions
4 under which such wagering shall be held and conducted.
5 Such rules and regulations are to provide for the
6 prevention of practices detrimental to the public
7 interest and for the best interests of said wagering
8 and to impose penalties for violations thereof.

9 (B) The Board, and any person or persons to whom it
10 delegates this power, is vested with the power to enter
11 the facilities of any licensee to determine whether
12 there has been compliance with the provisions of this
13 Act and the rules and regulations relating to the
14 conduct of such wagering.

15 (C) The Board, and any person or persons to whom it
16 delegates this power, may eject or exclude from any
17 licensee's facilities, any person whose conduct or
18 reputation is such that his presence on such premises
19 may, in the opinion of the Board, call into the
20 question the honesty and integrity of, or interfere
21 with the orderly conduct of such wagering; provided,
22 however, that no person shall be excluded or ejected
23 from such premises solely on the grounds of race,
24 color, creed, national origin, ancestry, or sex.

25 (D) (Blank).

26 (E) The Board is vested with the power to appoint

1 delegates to execute any of the powers granted to it
2 under this Section for the purpose of administering
3 this wagering and any rules and regulations
4 promulgated in accordance with this Act.

5 (F) The Board shall name and appoint a State
6 director of this wagering who shall be a representative
7 of the Board and whose duty it shall be to supervise
8 the conduct of inter-track wagering as may be provided
9 for by the rules and regulations of the Board; such
10 rules and regulation shall specify the method of
11 appointment and the Director's powers, authority and
12 duties.

13 (G) The Board is vested with the power to impose
14 civil penalties of up to \$5,000 against individuals and
15 up to \$10,000 against licensees for each violation of
16 any provision of this Act relating to the conduct of
17 this wagering, any rules adopted by the Board, any
18 order of the Board or any other action which in the
19 Board's discretion, is a detriment or impediment to
20 such wagering.

21 (13) The Department of Agriculture may enter into
22 agreements with licensees authorizing such licensees to
23 conduct inter-track wagering on races to be held at the
24 licensed race meetings conducted by the Department of
25 Agriculture. Such agreement shall specify the races of the
26 Department of Agriculture's licensed race meeting upon

1 which the licensees will conduct wagering. In the event
2 that a licensee conducts inter-track pari-mutuel wagering
3 on races from the Illinois State Fair or DuQuoin State Fair
4 which are in addition to the licensee's previously approved
5 racing program, those races shall be considered a separate
6 racing day for the purpose of determining the daily handle
7 and computing the privilege or pari-mutuel tax on that
8 daily handle as provided in Sections 27 and 27.1. Such
9 agreements shall be approved by the Board before such
10 wagering may be conducted. In determining whether to grant
11 approval, the Board shall give due consideration to the
12 best interests of the public and of horse racing. The
13 provisions of paragraphs (1), (8), (8.1), and (8.2) of
14 subsection (h) of this Section which are not specified in
15 this paragraph (13) shall not apply to licensed race
16 meetings conducted by the Department of Agriculture at the
17 Illinois State Fair in Sangamon County or the DuQuoin State
18 Fair in Perry County, or to any wagering conducted on those
19 race meetings.

20 (i) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this Act, the
21 conduct of wagering at wagering facilities is authorized on all
22 days, except as limited by subsection (b) of Section 19 of this
23 Act.

24 (Source: P.A. 96-762, eff. 8-25-09; 97-1060, eff. 8-24-12.)