
HOUSE BILL 2192

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1 AN ACT Relating to parimutuel taxation; amending RCW 67.16.105;
2 providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 67.16.105 and 1998 c 345 s 6 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 (1) Licensees of race meets that are nonprofit in nature and are of
7 ten days or less shall be exempt from payment of a parimutuel tax.

8 (2) Licensees that do not fall under subsection (1) of this section
9 shall withhold and pay to the commission daily for each authorized day
10 of parimutuel wagering the following applicable percentage of all daily
11 gross receipts from its in-state parimutuel machines:

12 (a) If the gross receipts of all its in-state parimutuel machines
13 are more than fifty million dollars in the previous calendar year, the
14 licensee shall withhold and pay to the commission daily 1.30 percent of
15 the daily gross receipts; and

16 (b) If the gross receipts of all its in-state parimutuel machines
17 are fifty million dollars or less in the previous calendar year, the
18 licensee shall withhold and pay to the commission daily (~~(0.52)~~) 1.803
19 percent of the daily gross receipts.

1 (3) In addition to those amounts in subsection (2) of this section,
2 a licensee shall forward one-tenth of one percent of the daily gross
3 receipts of all its in-state parimutuel machines to the commission for
4 payment to those nonprofit race meets as set forth in RCW 67.16.130 and
5 subsection (1) of this section, but said percentage shall not be
6 charged against the licensee. Payments to nonprofit race meets under
7 this subsection shall be distributed on a pro rata per-race-day basis
8 and used only for purses at race tracks that have been operating under
9 RCW 67.16.130 and subsection (1) of this section for the five
10 consecutive years immediately preceding the year of payment. The
11 commission shall transfer funds generated under subsection (2) of this
12 section equal to the difference between funds collected under this
13 subsection (3) in a calendar year and three hundred thousand dollars,
14 and distribute that amount under this subsection (3).

15 (4) Beginning July 1, 1999, at the conclusion of each authorized
16 race meet, the commission shall calculate the mathematical average
17 daily gross receipts of parimutuel wagering that is conducted only at
18 the physical location of the live race meet at those race meets of
19 licensees with gross receipts of all their in-state parimutuel machines
20 of more than fifty million dollars. Such calculation shall include
21 only the gross parimutuel receipts from wagering occurring on live
22 racing dates, including live racing receipts and receipts derived from
23 one simulcast race card that is conducted only at the physical location
24 of the live racing meet, which, for the purposes of this subsection, is
25 "the handle." If the calculation exceeds eight hundred eighty-six
26 thousand dollars, the licensee shall within ten days of receipt of
27 written notification by the commission forward to the commission a sum
28 equal to the product obtained by multiplying 0.6 percent by the handle.
29 Sums collected by the commission under this subsection shall be
30 forwarded on the next business day following receipt thereof to the
31 state treasurer to be deposited in the fair fund created in RCW
32 15.76.115.

33 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act is necessary for the immediate
34 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
35 state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect

1 July 1, 2003.

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