



## **HORSE RACING COMMITTEE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Pursuant to the Massachusetts Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §20, notice is hereby given that the Horse Racing Committee of the Massachusetts Gaming Commission (“Committee”) will convene a public hearing for purposes of gathering comments, ideas and information relative to the Race Horse Development Fund distribution percentages.

Given the unprecedented circumstances resulting from the global Coronavirus pandemic, the Committee will conduct the hearing utilizing remote collaboration technology consistent with Governor Baker’s order providing limited relief from certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law to protect the health and safety of individuals interested in attending public meetings.

The public hearing will take place on:

**Wednesday, January 27, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.**  
**VIA CONFERENCE CALL NUMBER: 1 (646) 741-5293**  
**PARTICIPANT CODE: 112 128 6063**


This Committee invites and will hear comments, ideas, and information from up to ten (10) representative members from each of the Standardbred/Harness and Thoroughbred horse race industries relative to the present percentages in place for the distribution of funds from the Race Horse Development Fund in the three separate categories (purses, breeding programs, and health and welfare benefits), and specifically whether any adjustment of any or all of the three established percentages should be considered for the upcoming racing season.

The Committee requests that the Standardbred/Harness and Thoroughbred Horse Racing industries each designate up to ten (10) speaker representatives that will have a maximum of four (4) minutes each to make public comments to the Committee. The Committee requests that the names of the designated speaker representatives be emailed to [todd.grossman@massgaming.gov](mailto:todd.grossman@massgaming.gov) by Tuesday, January 26, 2021. In addition, any member of the public may submit written comments which may be submitted via email to [todd.grossman@massgaming.gov](mailto:todd.grossman@massgaming.gov) with ‘Split Comment’ in the subject line. Written Comments must be received by 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 26, 2021.



Massachusetts Gaming Commission

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Brian S. Fitzgerald  
Chair

DATE: January 22, 2021