

Notice of Public Hearing

Notice is hereby provided that in accordance with G.L. c. 30A, § 20, the Horse Racing Committee will convene a public hearing for purposes of gathering comments, ideas, and information relative to a proposed amendment concerning Race Horse Development Fund distribution percentages.

Given the unprecedented circumstances resulting from the global Coronavirus pandemic, Governor Charles Baker issued an order to provide limited relief from certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law to protect the health and safety of individuals interested in attending public meetings. In keeping with the guidance provided, the Committee will conduct a public meeting utilizing remote collaboration technology.

This hearing includes the following topics for consideration:

- Potential adjustment to the method of calculating the distribution percentage (split) between the breeds for purposes of funding purses, breeding programs, and health and welfare benefits; and
- Consideration of the present percentage between each of those three separate categories considered for distribution.

Scheduled hearing date and time: Thursday, May 14, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. Remote Conference Call Dial-In Number: 1-646-741-5293

Anybody wishing to offer written or verbal comments at the hearing on either of the items proposed should e-mail their comment or notice of intent to speak to shara.n.bedard@state.ma.us. Written comments should have 'Adjustment to Split Comment' in the subject line. Comments must be received by **4:00 p.m.** on **Friday, May 8, 2020.**