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Bill 98

An Act to amend the Act respecting horse racing

Introduction

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

The object of this bill is to confer on the Commission des courses de chevaux du Québec the power to make a rule to ensure that, from 1 July 1988, the average rate of commission levied on the aggregate of the betting amounts by the holder of a racing licence and a registration attestation for a device used for the sale, recording or automatic compiling of pari-mutuel betting does not exceed the average rate of commission indicated; any such rule made by the Commission must be approved by the Minister of Finance.

The bill also provides for a transitional measure in addition to the measure already contained in the Act respecting horse racing concerning the penalties applicable in cases of violation of the rules maintained in force by the said Act.

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THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. Section 103 of the Act respecting horse racing (1987, chapter 103) is amended

(1) by adding, after subparagraph 20 of the first paragraph, the following subparagraph:

“(20.1) ensure, in accordance with the terms and conditions it prescribes, that, from 1 July 1988, the average rate of commission levied on the aggregate of the betting amounts by the holder of a racing licence and of a registration attestation for a device used for the sale, recording or automatic compiling of pari-mutuel betting on horse racing, issued under sections 70 and 81, respectively, does not exceed the average rate of commission that it indicates and determine the amount that the holder may be called upon to pay to the Commission if the rate exceeds that indicated;”;

(2) by adding, after the second paragraph, the following paragraph:

“Every rule made under subparagraph 20.1 of the first paragraph must be approved by the Minister of Finance.”

2. Section 134 of the said Act is amended by adding, at the end, the following paragraph:

“The penalties applicable in cases of violation of the provisions of such a rule occurring after the date of coming into force of this Act but before the date of coming into force of the first rule made by the Commission under subparagraph 21 of the first paragraph of section 103 are the penalties provided for in section 122 of the Act respecting

lotteries, racing, publicity contests and amusement machines for any person who infringes a provision of the rules.”

3. Section 2 has effect from 18 December 1987.

4. This Act comes into force on (*insert here the date of assent to this Act*).