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1 section. Expenditures from the fund shall be made upon vouchers
2 prescribed by the State Treasurer and issued by the Commission
3 against the Oklahoma Breeding Development Fund Special Account. The
4 official registering agency designated by the Commission pursuant to
5 subsection D of this section shall verify the current eligibility of
6 a participating horse prior to distributing any purse supplement,
7 stake, reward or award from the Oklahoma Breeding Development Fund
8 Special Account. Any person entitled to monies from the Oklahoma
9 Breeding Development Fund Special Account as a purse supplement,
10 stake, reward, or award (awards), will forfeit such monies if that
11 person fails to comply with all requirements necessary for earning
12 the awards. Further, any such person will forfeit such monies if,
13 within one (1) year from the date of the race in which such award
14 was earned, that person does not submit the state voucher for
15 payment or for replacement in the event of an expired voucher, or if
16 that person fails to submit all documentation required by the
17 Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission. In such event, monies accrued
18 from forfeiture will be returned to the Oklahoma Breeding
19 Development Fund Special Account for expenditure by the Commission
20 for the purposes specified in subsection B of this section.

21 B. No monies shall be expended by the Commission from the
22 Oklahoma Breeding Development Fund Special Account except for any of
23 the following purposes:
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- 1 1. To provide purse supplements to owners of Oklahoma-bred
2 horses;
- 3 2. To provide stakes and rewards to be paid to the owners of
4 the winning Oklahoma-bred horses in certain horse races;
- 5 3. To provide stallion awards to the owner of the Oklahoma
6 stallion which is the sire of an Oklahoma-bred horse if such a horse
7 wins any race conducted at a race meeting;
- 8 4. To provide breeders awards to the owner of the Oklahoma-
9 registered mare which is the dam of an Oklahoma-bred horse if such a
10 horse wins any race conducted at a race meeting;
- 11 5. To provide monies for equine research through state
12 institutions accredited for the same;
- 13 6. To provide monies for use in marketing, promoting and
14 advertising the Oklahoma-Bred Program and the Oklahoma horse racing
15 industry to the people of Oklahoma, the United States and abroad;
- 16 7. To provide for the administration of the Oklahoma Breeding
17 Development Program. The Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission is hereby
18 authorized to utilize up to fifteen percent (15%) of the prior
19 year's receipts for administration. All expenses reimbursed as
20 administrative pursuant to this subsection shall be itemized and
21 audited pursuant to subsection E of this section. Any monies
22 transferred from the Oklahoma Breeding Development Fund Special
23 Account to the Oklahoma Breeding Development Revolving Fund for
24 administrative reimbursement found to be unsubstantiated, excessive

1 or ineligible for reimbursement by the audit shall be returned to
2 the Oklahoma Breeding Development Fund Special Account within thirty
3 (30) days of the conclusion of the audit; and

4 8. To provide, upon the request of an official horsemen's
5 representative organization for a breed, funding to any nonprofit
6 entity that is based in Oklahoma and exempt from taxation pursuant
7 to the provisions of the United States Internal Revenue Code, 26
8 U.S.C. Section 501(c), for the purpose of providing care of retired
9 and unwanted Oklahoma-bred racing stock of the particular breed of
10 horse represented by the requesting organization. Provided,
11 however, that no monies shall be expended by the Commission for the
12 purpose of this paragraph if federal funds or funds from the
13 Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority are available for the
14 same purpose.

15 C. By rule the Commission shall:

16 1. Define the term "Oklahoma-bred horse";

17 2. Qualify stallions for participation in Oklahoma-bred
18 stallion awards;

19 3. Provide for the registration of Oklahoma-domiciled mares and
20 stallions and Oklahoma-bred horses. No such horse shall compete in
21 the races limited to Oklahoma-bred horses unless registered with the
22 Commission. The Commission may prescribe such forms as are
23 necessary to determine the eligibility of such horses; provided,
24 breeding stallions shall be eligible for registration in the

1 Oklahoma-bred breeding program until July 1 of the breeding year.
2 No person shall knowingly prepare or cause preparation of an
3 application for registration of such foals which contains false
4 information;

5 4. Establish a schedule of fees for the registration of
6 Oklahoma-domiciled mares and stallions and Oklahoma-bred horses
7 sufficient to provide for all expenses incurred in the
8 administration of the Oklahoma Breeding Development Fund Special
9 Account;

10 5. Allow a mare registered as Oklahoma-bred racing stock which
11 has not been registered as an Oklahoma broodmare prior to foaling to
12 be registered as an Oklahoma broodmare upon payment of the
13 registration fee and a late fee not to exceed Two Hundred Dollars
14 (\$200.00), which action shall entitle the foals of the mare to be
15 registered as Oklahoma-bred horses, provided all other
16 qualifications of the Commission are met; and

17 6. Establish criteria which a nonprofit entity based in
18 Oklahoma must meet to be eligible to receive funds for the purpose
19 of caring for retired and unwanted Oklahoma-bred racing stock.

20 D. The Commission may contract with and designate an official
21 registering agency to implement the registration of horses and the
22 payment of awards from the Oklahoma Breeding Development Fund
23 Special Account. The official registering agency shall operate
24 under the supervision of the Commission and be subject to the rules

1 and regulations of the Commission. The official registering agency
2 shall receive no compensation except fees received for registration
3 of horses. In the event the Commission elects to perform as the
4 official registering agency rather than contracting for such
5 services, the Commission shall deposit all registration fees from
6 the registration of Oklahoma-bred horses into the Oklahoma Breeding
7 Development Fund Special Account.

8 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2024.

9 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON GENERAL GOVERNMENT
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