WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION, 1978

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ENROLLED
Committee Substitute for
HOUSE BILL No. 1697

(By Mr. Speaker, Mr. Kopp)

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PASSED March 10, 1978

In Effect ninety days from Passage
AN ACT to amend and reenact section twelve, article twenty-three, chapter nineteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended relating to the license tax on horse and dog racetracks; providing that such taxes be in lieu of all other state, county or municipal taxes; providing for certain exceptions with respect to certain municipal taxes; and extending the provisions of said section to horse owners, trainers, jockeys or other persons whose services are directly essential to the effective conduct of a horse or dog racing meeting.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section twelve, article twenty-three, chapter nineteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted, to read as follows:

ARTICLE 23. HORSE AND DOG RACING.

§19-23-12. License to be in lieu of all other license, etc., taxes; exception.

1 The license tax imposed in section ten of this article shall be in lieu of all other license, income, excise, special or franchise taxes of this state, and no county or municipality or other political subdivision of this state shall be empowered to
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5 levy or impose any license, income, pari-mutuel, excise, special
6 or franchise tax on any racing association engaged in the
7 business of conducting a horse or dog race meeting at which
8 horse or dog races are run for purses under the jurisdiction of
9 and being licensed by the racing commission, or on the opera-
10 tion or maintenance of the pari-mutuel system of wagering, or
11 on the sale of any commodity during a horse or dog race
12 meeting at which horse or dog races are run, or at any such
13 horse or dog racetrack nor shall there be, hereafter, any im-
14 position of tax pursuant to articles twelve, thirteen or fifteen
15 of chapter eleven of this code on the income or receipts of
16 owners, trainers or jockeys directly arising from their
17 services which are essential to the effective conduct of a
18 horse or dog racing meeting: Provided, That the foregoing
19 provisions of this section shall in no way effect, abridge or
20 abolish the authority of a municipality to impose the license
21 tax authorized by the provisions of section eight, article thir-
22 teen, chapter eight of this code.
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

James L. Davis
Chairman Senate Committee

Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House.

Takes effect ninety days from passage.

Clerk of the Senate

Clerk of the House of Delegates

President of the Senate

Speaker House of Delegates

The within is approved this the 30
day of March, 1978.

Governor