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## VIA FIRST CLASS MAIL

and EMAIL: steven.james@state.ma.us

The Honorable Steven T. James House Clerk Office of the Clerk of the House State House – Room 145 24 Beacon Street Boston, MA 02133

Dear Mr. James:

Pursuant to G.L. c. 23K, §60, the Horse Race Committee shall make recommendations on how the Race Horse Development Funds shall be distributed between thoroughbred and standardbred racing facilities to support the thoroughbred and standardbred industries.

The Horse Racing Committee shall submit distribution recommendations to the Clerks of the Senate and House of Representatives before submitting the recommendation to the Massachusetts Gaming Commission for final approval.

The Horse Racing Committee, upon a 4-1 vote, recommends the following split:

55% of the fund to be distributed to the standardbreds, and 45% of the fund to be distributed to the thoroughbreds, effective January 1, 2016.

The Horse Racing Committee, upon a 5-0 vote, further recommends that any funds remaining in the account prior to January 1, 2016, will remain at the following split:

75% of the funds to be distributed to the standardbreds, and 25% of the funds to be distributed to the thoroughbreds.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (617) 979-8478, or cecelia.porche@state.ma.us.

Very truly yours

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Paralegal