

No. 135

AN ACT

SB 1232

Amending the act of June 24, 1939 (P.L.872), entitled "An act to consolidate, amend and revise the penal laws of the Commonwealth," clarifying certain provisions relating to horse racing.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Section 699.5, act of June 24, 1939 (P.L.872), known as "The Penal Code," is amended to read:

Section 699.5. Horse Racing.—Whoever races, runs, paces or trots any horse, mare or gelding for money, goods or other valuable things, or contributes or collects any money, goods or valuable things to make up a purse therefor, or prints or causes to be printed, sets up or causes to be set up any advertisement mentioning the time and place for the running, pacing or trotting of any horses, mares or geldings, or knowingly suffers any such advertisement to be attached to his property or to remain on his property, is guilty of maintaining a nuisance, a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars (\$500), or suffer imprisonment not exceeding one (1) year, or both.

All wagers and bets laid on any such race shall be null and void, and money, goods and valuable things lost on any such race, or the value thereof, may be recovered from the winner by action of debt.

Nothing contained in this section shall be construed as applying to racing at exhibitions of agricultural societies and associations, nor to trials of speed in any incorporated driving park, nor to races given by regularly incorporated trotting associations *or by corporations licensed by the State Harness Racing Commission or the State Horse Racing Commission.*

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 22nd day of June, A. D. 1970.

RAYMOND P. SHAFER

The foregoing is a true and correct copy of Act of the General Assembly No. 135.



Secretary of the Commonwealth.