

1 *Senate* BILL NO. *277*  
 2 INTRODUCED BY *Flynn*  
 3 BY REQUEST OF DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL  
 4 AND OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING

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 12 PURSE THAT THE RACE MEET LICENSEE HAS CONTRIBUTED; AMENDING  
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