

**ACTS, 1985. – Chaps. 579, 580.**

consent to the transfer or exchange of any such prisoner and take any other action necessary to initiate the participation of the commonwealth in such treaty.

Approved December 10, 1985.

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**Chapter 579. AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE OPERATION OF THE WOODS HOLE, MARTHA'S VINEYARD AND NANTUCKET STEAMSHIP AUTHORITY.**

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

**SECTION 1.** The provisions of chapter four hundred and sixty of the acts of nineteen hundred and eighty-five are hereby ratified and confirmed.

**SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect as of November fourth, nineteen hundred and eighty-five.

Approved December 11, 1985.

EMERGENCY LETTER: December 12, 1985 @ 10:08 A.M.

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**Chapter 580. AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING THE CONDUCT OF HORSE RACING.**

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to provide forthwith for the continuation of the racing industry in the commonwealth, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

**SECTION 1.** Chapter 494 of the acts of 1978 is hereby amended by striking out sections 11 and 12 and inserting in place thereof the following two sections:–

Section 11. During the calendar years nineteen hundred and eighty-five through nineteen hundred and ninety, each running horse track licensee under section three of chapter one hundred and twenty-eight A of the General Laws, other than a licensee holding a racing meeting in connection with a state or county fair, shall daily pay: (a) the total sum of the so-called breaks, as defined in section five of said chapter one hundred and twenty-eight A, and a sum equal to one-quarter of one per cent of the total amount wagered by patrons wagering on the speed or ability of running horses into the trust fund known as the Running Horse Capital Improvements Trust Fund under the direction and supervision of the state racing commissioners, as they are individuals, as trustees of said trust; and (b) a sum equal to one-quarter of one per cent of the total amount wagered by patrons so wagering into