

**Department of Legislative Services**  
Maryland General Assembly  
2026 Session

**FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE**  
**First Reader**

House Bill 911  
Appropriations

(Delegate McCaskill)

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**Horse Racing - Laurel Park - Arabian Breed Racing Authorization**

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This emergency bill authorizes a licensee at Laurel Park to conduct live racing of Arabian breed horses under specified conditions.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** None. The bill does not directly affect State operations or finances.

**Local Effect:** None.

**Small Business Effect:** None.

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**Analysis**

**Current Law:** A licensee at Pimlico Race Course may conduct live racing of Arabian breed horses under specified conditions, including the approval of the State Racing Commission.

An Arabian breed horse is a horse that (1) is a purebred Arabian breed horse and (2) has a valid certificate of registry with the Arabian Jockey Club of America.

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**Additional Information**

**Recent Prior Introductions:** Similar legislation has not been introduced within the last three years.

**Designated Cross File:** SB 453 (Senator Jennings) - Budget and Taxation.

**Information Source(s):** Maryland Department of Labor; Department of Legislative Services

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