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AN ACT to Amend the Jamaica Racing Commission Act.

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BE IT ENACTED by The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Representatives of Jamaica, and by the authority of the same as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the Jamaica Racing Commission (Amendment) Act, 2016, and shall be read and construed as one with the Jamaica Racing Commission Act (hereinafter referred to as the “principal Act”) and all amendments thereto.

Short title
and
construction.

Amendment of
section 19 of
principal Act.

2. Section 19 of the principal Act is amended by deleting subsection (2) and inserting next after subsection (1) the following as subsections (2) and (3)—

“ (2) A licence granted by the Minister under subsection (1)—

(a) may specify that the licence is granted exclusively in respect of any parish in Jamaica as specified in the licence; and

(b) shall be for such period and subject to such terms and conditions as may be specified in the licence.

(3) In this section, for the avoidance of doubt, “exclusively” means a licence will not be issued to any other entity in respect of any parish specified, and for the time specified, in the licence.”

MEMORANDUM OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

Cabinet has approved the submission for the plan of action for the divestment of Caymanas Track Limited. As part of that measure this Bill seeks to enable the Minister to grant any promoter a licence to operate in prescribed exclusive geographic areas.

This Bill seeks to amend the *Jamaica Racing Commission Act* in order to give effect to that decision, and is a companion measure to the *Betting, Gaming and Lotteries (Amendment) Act, 2016*.

AUDLEY SHAW

Minister of Finance and the Public Service.

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SECTION 19 OF THE PRINCIPAL ACT WHICH
IT IS PROPOSED TO AMEND

19.—(1)

(2) Every such licence granted by the Minister shall be for such period
and be subject to such terms and conditions as may be specified therein.

