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*Subsection D of 15.2.3.8 NMAC: The purpose of the proposed amendment is to further ensure compliance with the legislative required mandate for the Commission to regulate the size of purses.*

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#### 15.2.3.8

##### **D. Horsemen's bookkeeper:**

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##### **(4) Payment of Purses:**

**(a)** Upon approval of the commission, ~~The~~ the horsemen's bookkeeper shall receive, maintain and disburse **only the following from the purse accounts:** the purses **earned of for** each race; ~~and all stakes, entrance money~~ **entry, nomination, supplemental and starter fees in stakes races;** jockey fees; **lasix fees; win picture fees;** and purchase money in claiming races, along with all applicable taxes ~~and other monies~~ that properly come into their possession in accordance with the provision of commission rules.

**(b)** The fact that the purse money has been distributed prior to the issuance of a laboratory report shall not be deemed a finding that no chemical substance has been administered, in violation of these rules, to the horse earning such purse money.

**(c)** The horsemen's bookkeeper shall disburse **only** the purse **earned for of** each race, **entry, nomination, supplemental and starter fees in stakes races,** ~~and all stakes, entrance money,~~ jockey fees, **Lasix fees, win picture fees** and purchase money in claiming races, along with all applicable taxes, upon request, within 48 hours of the completion of the race with respect to all horses not tested and when no timely appeal has been filed, and where a horse has been tested within 48 horse of receipt of notification that all tests with respect to such races have cleared the drug testing laboratory(ies) as reported by the stewards or the commission, except that minimum jockey mount fees may be disbursed prior to notification that the tests have cleared the testing laboratory(ies).