

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
104th LEGISLATURE

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " A " to H. P. 452, L. D. 589, Bill,  
"AN ACT to Remove the Prohibition Against Running Horse Racing  
During Certain Weeks in the Months of June and July."

Amend said Bill by striking out all of the Title and inserting  
in place thereof the following: 'AN ACT Relating to Horse Racing  
During Certain Weeks in the Months of June and July.'

Further amend said Bill by inserting after the enacting  
clause (same in L.D.) the following:

'Sec. 1. R. S., T. 8, §271, amended. The 4th paragraph  
of section 271 of Title 8 of the Revised Statutes is amended to  
read as follows:

~~Notwithstanding anything in this chapter to the contrary,~~  
~~the commission shall issue a license, where pari-mutuel betting is~~  
~~permitted, to Gorham Raceways to hold day or night harness races~~  
~~or meets --- in Gorham each year for a period of 4 weeks, and no more,~~  
~~beginning in June on the Monday of the last full week therein which~~  
~~has 7 calendar days, except said commission may issue each spring a~~  
~~license to Gorham Raceways for an additional period, ending on the~~  
~~date said 4-week period begins. --- If no running racing is held at~~  
~~Scarborough Downs after Labor Day each year, Gorham Raceways may be~~  
~~permitted to hold harness races or meets at Gorham, but only if said~~

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~~harness-races-or-meets-at-Gorham-held-after-Labor-Day-shall-not-be detrimental-to-the-best-interests-of-the-agricultural-associations of-Maine-or-any-of-them.~~ The determination as to whether or not such harness races or meets are detrimental shall be made by the commission after a public hearing following due notice to all parties concerned. The number of quinnella races, or any similar types or designations, in any day of racing, shall be determined by the commission.'

Further amend said Bill by inserting at the beginning of the first line, after the enacting clause, (same in L.D.) the underlined abbreviation and figure 'Sec. 2.'

Reported by the Committee on Agriculture.

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