

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

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H. P. 900

House of Representatives, February 28, 1973

Referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

E. LOUISE LINCOLN, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Susi of Pittsfield.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-THREE

AN ACT Limiting Sunday Harness Racing.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the harness racing industry is in jeopardy because of increased costs of maintenance and labor and is in immediate need of relief; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

R. S., T. 8, § 268, repealed and replaced. Section 268 of Title 8 of the Revised Statutes, as repealed and replaced by section 1 of chapter 526 of the public laws of 1969, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

§ 268. Rules and regulations

The commission shall make rules and regulations for the holding, conducting and operating of all harness horse races or meets for public exhibition held in this State and for the operation of race tracks on which any such race or meet is held, notwithstanding any other provision of law, harness horse races or meets held on Sunday shall not commence until the hour of 1 p.m.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment to Title 8 is necessary to allow and limit pari-mutuel harness racing to the hours after 1 p.m. on Sunday.