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FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 2433

S. P. 864

In Senate, January 23, 1974

Referred to the Committee on State Government. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

Presented by Senator MacLeod of Penobscot.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-FOUR

**AN ACT to Consolidate the State Harness Racing Commission and
the State Running Horse Racing Commission.**

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 8, § 261-A, additional. Title 8 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 261-A to read as follows:

§ 261-A. —administer laws

The State Harness Racing Commission as heretofore established shall administer chapters 11 and 13.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 8, § 321, repealed. Section 321 of Title 8 of the Revised Statutes is repealed.

Sec. 3. Amendatory provision. Wherever in the Revised Statutes the words "State Running Horse Racing Commission" or "Running Horse Racing Commission" appear, they shall mean the Harness Racing Commission.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill implements recommendations 1 and 3, Running Horse Racing Commission and recommendation 1, Harness Racing Commission, as recommended by the Management and Cost Survey Commission Report. These recommendations were supported by the Governor in his Special Message of January 10, 1974.

This bill is necessary to consolidate harness racing and running horse racing under the Department of Agriculture in order that both commissions be operated in a more economical manner.