

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

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Legislative Document

No. 525

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H. P. 431

House of Representatives, February 4, 1975

On motion of Mr. Kelleher of Bangor, referred to the Committee on State Government. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Kelleher of Bangor.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-FIVE

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AN ACT Relating to Fines, Suspensions and Revocations Levied by the  
Harness Racing Commission.

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

8 MRSA, § 279-B, as last amended by PL 1973, c. 303, § 3, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

§ 279-B. Fines, suspensions and revocations

In order to enforce the rules and regulations referred to in section 279-A, the commission is authorized to establish a schedule of fines not to exceed \$100 and to levy a fine in lieu of suspension for each violation of the rules and regulations.

The commission is further authorized to establish a schedule of suspensions of licenses and to levy suspensions, after notice and hearing, for periods not to exceed 20 days.

Any party aggrieved by any fine or suspension imposed by the commission pursuant to this section may petition or file a complaint with the Administrative Court under Title 5, sections 2402 and 2403, within 10 days after notice of the commission's decision.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to supply the Harness Racing Commission with minor penalties to impose for minor rule violations without depriving participants of due process.