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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (Filing No. H-1125)
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FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "B" to HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 2153,
L. D. 2294, Bill, "AN ACT to Implement a Central Licensing
Division within the Department of Business Regulation."

Amend said Amendment by inserting after the Title the
following:

'Amend said Bill by striking out all of the Title and
inserting in place thereof the following: 'AN ACT to Implement
a Central Licensing Division within the Department of Business
Regulation and Abolishing the Running Horse Racing Commission.'

Further amend said Amendment by striking out the word
"Amend" in the first line and inserting in place thereof
the words 'Further amend'

Further amend said Amendment by inserting after the
first paragraph the following:

'Further amend said Bill by inserting after section 1
the following:

Sec. 1-A. 5 MRSA §2301, sub-§1, 4th line from the end
is repealed as follows:

~~Running-Horse-Racing-Commission,~~'

Further amend said Bill by inserting after section 2 the following:

Sec. 2-A. 7 MRSA §62, last paragraph is repealed.

Further amend said Bill by striking out all of sections 4 to 7, 9 and 10.

Further amend said Bill by inserting after section 10 the following:

'Sec. 10-A. 8 MRSA §§321 to 330, ^{339,} /340 and 341, as amended, are repealed.

Sec.10-B. 8 MRSA §331, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

§331. Penalties

Any person, association, corporation, trust or partnership who violates any provision of this chapter shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$5,000 or by imprisonment for not more than one year, or by both.

Sec.10 -C. 8 MRSA §333, as last amended by PL 1971, c. 433, §2, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

§333. Pari-mutuel pools

Within the enclosure of any race track where is held a race or race meet licensed and conducted under this chapter, but not elsewhere, the sale of pari-mutuel pools by the licensee is permitted and authorized. Commissions on such pools shall in no event and at no track exceed 19% of each dollar wagered, plus the odd cents of all redistribution to be based on each dollar wagered exceeding a sum equal to the next lowest multiple of 10, known as "breakage," which breakage shall be retained

by the licensee. Said maximum shall include the 6% tax prescribed in section 334. A sum equal to 1% of such total contributions shall be paid to the Treasurer of State to be credited to the "Stipend Fund" provided by Title 7, section 62.

Sec. 10-D.8 MRSA §334, first ¶ is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

Each person, association, corporation, trust or partnership who conducts a race or race meet under this chapter shall pay to the Treasurer of State, to be credited to the General Fund, a sum equal to 6% of the total contributions to all pari-mutuel pools conducted or made at any race or race meets licensed under this chapter. Each person, association, corporation, trust or partnership who conducts a race or race meet under this chapter shall pay to the city or town treasurer in which the racing plant is located the sum of \$25 for each day of racing.

Sec. 10-E. 8 MRSA §335, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

§335. Payments

Payments under section 334 shall be made not later than 7 days after each racing day and shall be accompanied by a report under oath showing the total of all said contributions to pari-mutuel pools covered by such report.

Sec. 10-F. 8 MRSA §342 is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

§342. Enforcement

It shall be the duty of the Attorney General with the aid of the district attorneys of the several counties to enforce this chapter.'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to abolish the Running Horse Racing Commission.

Filed by Mr. Kelleher of Bangor..

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