

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 872

H. P. 734

House of Representatives, February 17, 1981

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Cunningham of New Gloucester.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE

AN ACT to Require Legislative Confirmation of Harness Racing Commission Members.

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

**Sec. 1.** 8 MRSA § 261, first sentence, as amended by PL 1975, c. 771, § 103, is further amended to read:

The State Harness Racing Commission, as heretofore established and hereinafter in this chapter called the "commission," shall consist of 3 members who shall be appointed by the Governor, subject to review by the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture and to confirmation by the Legislature, and who may be for cause removed by the Governor.

**Sec. 2. Application.** This Act shall apply to all appointments to the State Harness Racing Commission made after the effective date of this Act.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to require legislative confirmation of members of the State Harness Racing Commission. Legislative oversight of this commission is vital since this commission regulates a very large business in the State.