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Reference to the Committee on Agriculture suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ed Pert".

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative TARDY of Palmyra.

STATE OF MAINE

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

**An Act to Allow the State Harness Racing Commission to Allocate
Dates for a Period of 3 Years.**

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

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3 8 MRSA §271, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 1985, c. 444, §2, is
4 amended to read:

6 1. **Licensing.** If the commission is satisfied that all of
7 this chapter and rules prescribed by the commission have been
8 substantially complied with during the past year and will be
9 fully complied with during the coming year by the person,
10 association or corporation applying for a license; that the
11 applicant, its members, directors, officers, shareholders,
12 employees, creditors and associates are of good moral character;
13 that the applicant is financially responsible; and that the award
14 of racing dates to the applicant is appropriate under the
15 criteria contained in subsection 2, it may issue a license for
16 the holding of harness horse races or meets for public exhibition
17 with pari-mutuel pools which shall must expire on December 31st.
18 The fee for the license shall ~~be~~ is \$10 for each calendar week or
19 part of a week of harness racing whether or not pari-mutuel pools
20 are sold. The license shall must set forth the name of the
21 licensee, the place where the races or race meets are to be held
22 and the specific dates and time of day or night during which
23 racing may be conducted by the licensee. The location stated in
24 the license where the race or race meet is to be held may be
25 transferred to any other licensee on the dates set forth in the
26 license during which the racing may be conducted, but, ~~with~~
27 ~~respect-to-such-a-transfer,~~ the transfer shall may only be made
28 to another licensee and the that licensee shall ~~be~~ is liable for
29 compliance with all laws and regulations governing the conduct of
30 harness racing. ~~Any-such-~~ A license issued shall ~~not-be~~ under
31 this subsection is not transferable or assignable. The
32 Administrative Court Judge, as designated in Title 4, chapter 25,
33 may revoke any license issued at any time for violation of the
34 commission's rules or licensing provisions upon notice and
35 hearing. The license of any corporation shall ~~be~~ is
36 automatically revoked, subject to Title 5, chapter 375, upon the
37 change in ownership, legal or equitable, of 50% or more of the
38 voting stock of the corporation and the corporation shall may not
39 hold a harness horse race or meet for public exhibition without a
40 new license. Notwithstanding the above, the commission may
41 allocate racing dates to a licensee for up to 3 consecutive years.
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45 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

46 This bill allows the commission to allocate harness racing
47 dates to a licensee for a period of up to 3 years.
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