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**STATE OF MAINE  
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " A " to S.P. 316, L.D. 897, Bill, "An Act to Ban the Tripping of Horses"

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

**'An Act to Ban the Tripping of Equines'**

Further amend the bill by striking out all of section 2 and inserting in its place the following:

**'Sec. 2. 7 MRSA §3972, sub-§1, ¶F is enacted to read:**

F. Intentionally cause an equine to fall or lose its balance by any means whatsoever. For the purposes of this paragraph, the term "equine" means, but is not limited to, a horse, mare, pony, ass, donkey, burro, mule or hinny.'

Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the statement of fact the following:

**'FISCAL NOTE**

This bill establishes a new civil violation. The additional workload and administrative costs associated with the minimal number of new cases filed in the court system can be absorbed within the budgeted resources of the Judicial Department. The collection of additional fines may increase General Fund revenue by minor amounts.'

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 316, L.D. 897

**STATEMENT OF FACT**

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This amendment replaces section 2 of the bill. It prohibits a person from causing an equine to fall or lose its balance by any means. It also defines the term "equine."

The amendment also changes the title of the bill and adds a fiscal note.

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**