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HOUSE AMENDMENT *A* " to H.P. 202, L.D. 255, Bill, "An Act to Repeal the Requirement That Race Tracks Be Assigned Certain Race Dates"

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

'An Act to Consider the Horse Supply in the Assignment of Race Dates'

Further amend the bill by striking out all of section 1 and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 1. 8 MRSA §271, sub-§6 is enacted to read:

6. Hearing on horse supply. Prior to August of each year, the commission shall conduct a hearing to determine whether the horse supply in the State has been adequate for the number of dashes conducted on assigned race dates. If the commission concludes that the horse supply has been inadequate, the commission shall limit to the extent necessary the number of dashes that a licensee may race on any date after August 1st of that year that has been assigned to more than one track. The commission may not restrict the number of dashes to fewer than 10.'

FISCAL NOTE

The State Harness Racing Commission within the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources will incur some minor additional costs to conduct certain annual hearings. These costs can be absorbed within the commission's existing budgeted resources.

HOUSE AMENDMENT

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SUMMARY

This amendment allows the State Harness Racing Commission to conduct a hearing to determine the adequacy of the horse supply when establishing the number of dashes that a licensee may race.

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