



## **118th MAINE LEGISLATURE**

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S.P. 188

In Senate, January 30, 1997

An Act to Amend the Off-track Betting Laws as They Pertain to Reduced Payments for Small Market Licensees.

Reference to the Committee on Legal and Veterans Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

JOY J. O'BRIEN Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator MICHAUD of Penobscot. Cosponsored by Senator PARADIS of Aroostook.

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

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Sec. 1. 8 MRSA §275-O, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 1995, c. 403, §1, is amended to read:

6 1. Eligible licensees. This section grants reduced payments to licensees of off-track betting lieensees facilities
8 that were licensed and open for business before January 1, 1995 and that have a market area, as described in section 275-D,
10 subsection 4, with a population of less than 50,000.

## **SUMMARY**

This bill amends the law providing for reduced payments by 16 off-track betting facilities that serve small markets. It clarifies that a facility licensed before January 1, 1995 is 18 eligible for reduced payments, regardless of whether the identity of the licensee changes after that date.