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House of Representatives, February 28, 2001

An Act to Allow Telephone Wagering for Horse Racing.

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

Millicent M. MacFarland

MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND, Clerk

Presented by Representative TESSIER of Fairfield.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 8 MRSA §271, sub-§§10 and 11 are enacted to read:**

6 10. Telephone account wagering allowed. A commercial track
8 may engage in telephone account wagering on races conducted at
10 that track. All money used to place telephone account wagers
12 must be on deposit with the commercial track in an amount
14 sufficient to cover the wagers. Money is considered on deposit
at a commercial track only if a deposit for that money has been
effected by cash, check or a confirmed credit card transaction.
Telephone account wagering is subject to the same commissions and
distributions as if the wagers had been placed directly at the
track.

16 11. Improper telephone account wagering prohibited. A
18 commercial track may accept a telephone account wager only from
20 the holder of a telephone wagering account. A person may not
22 directly or indirectly act as an intermediary, transmitter or
24 agent in the placing of wagers for a holder of a telephone
wagering account. Only the holder of a telephone wagering
account may place a telephone wager. A person violating this
subsection is guilty of a Class E misdemeanor.

26 **SUMMARY**

28 This bill allows a commercial track to accept wagers on
30 races conducted at that track over the telephone, but only from
individuals with prefunded accounts established at the track.