

128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act To Improve Marketing Efficiency in the Harness Racing Industry by Requiring Its Promotion by the State Harness Racing Commission and by Repealing the Harness Racing Promotional Board

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill Sponsor: Rep. White of Washburn Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Appropriations/Allocations Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000
Revenue Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill repeals the Harness Racing Promotional Board (board) and moves its duties and responsibilities to the existing State Harness Racing Commission (commission), which is within the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry. The Harness Racing Promotional Fund, currently administered by the board, will be transferred to the commission. Annual revenue of \$50,000 from commissions on live racing will now accrue to the commission starting in fiscal year 2018-19 and an ongoing allocation will be required beginning in fiscal year 2018-19.