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Testimony of Rep. Donna Doore supporting
LD 1405, An Act To Regulate, Tax and Control Sports Wagering
Before the Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs

Senator Luchini, Representative Caiazzao and members of the Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs, my name is Representative Donna Doore and I represent part of Augusta. I am here today to speak in support of **LD 1405**, **An Act To Regulate**, **Tax and Control Sports Wagering**.

For many years in Maine, Summer meant swimming in our lakes and ponds, enjoying our wonderful state natural resources, and attending local Agricultural Fairs. For as long as I can remember harness racing has been a mainstay at many Maine Agricultural fairs. There is nothing more fun than watching a race with family or friends who have a horse in the race.

If LD 1405 becomes law, sports wagering companies coming into Maine must work with a brick-and-mortar business like an Indian tribe, Casino, commercial track, or off-track betting facility.

By supporting this bill, we keep that money in Maine, employ Maine residents, generate tax revenue, purchase goods from local businesses, support our local communities, our Agricultural Fairs and Maine's Harness Racing industry.

Please join me and support LD 1405.

Thank you for your time.