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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE BILL

No. 24

Session of  
1985

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INTRODUCED BY DOMBROWSKI, SEVENTY, BOWSER, CAPPABIANCA, MERRY  
AND BOYES, JANUARY 23, 1985

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS,  
JANUARY 23, 1985

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AN ACT

1 Amending the act of December 17, 1981 (P.L.435, No.135),  
2 entitled "An act providing for the regulation of pari-mutuel  
3 thoroughbred horse racing and harness horse racing  
4 activities; imposing certain taxes and providing for the  
5 disposition of funds from pari-mutuel tickets," further  
6 providing for experimental simulcasting.

7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
8 hereby enacts as follows:

9 Section 1. Section 234 of the act of December 17, 1981  
10 (P.L.435, No.135), known as the Race Horse Industry Reform Act,  
11 added May 31, 1984 (P.L.376, No.76), is amended to read:

12 Section 234. Experimental simulcasting.

13 The State Harness Racing Commission may, upon request from a  
14 licensed corporation, grant permission to one corporation, on an  
15 experimental basis, to simulcast intrastate harness racing at a  
16 facility at which less than 80 days of racing was conducted in  
17 the calendar year [1983] 1984. The period of experimental  
18 simulcasting shall be through November [1984] 1985. Neither the  
19 racing facility or licensed corporation at such facility shall

1 transmit any simulcast signal to any other racing facility.  
2 Simulcasts are to be operated by the licensed corporation at the  
3 racetrack enclosure where a harness race meeting is being  
4 conducted during, between, before or after posted races for that  
5 racing day. No more than 50% of the races conducted each week  
6 (Monday through Sunday) shall be simulcast. All forms of [pari-  
7 mutual] pari-mutuel wagering described in section 221 shall be  
8 allowed on races to be televised by simulcasting under this  
9 section. The State Harness Racing Commission may promulgate  
10 regulations on wagering and the operation of these races. All  
11 money wagered by patrons on these races shall be computed in the  
12 amount of money wagered each racing day for purposes of taxation  
13 under section 222.

14 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.