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Amend the bill by inserting after the title and before the enacting clause the following:

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, appropriate penalties for violations of the harness racing statutes are essential to maintaining the integrity of the industry; and

Whereas, most racing occurs in the summer months; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,'

Amend the bill in section 1 in §280 in the first line (page 1, line 4 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "**§280. Use of drugs or appliance; veterinarian**" and inserting the following: '**§280. Use of drugs or appliances; prearrangement of results; veterinarian**'

Amend the bill by adding before the summary the following:

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved.'

SUMMARY

This amendment makes the bill an emergency and expands a headnote.