

HOUSE No. 217

By Mr. Telford of Plainville, petition of Charles F. Martin for legislation further regulating the holding and conducting of horse races. Legal Affairs.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-Six.

AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING THE HOLDING AND CONDUCTING OF HORSE RACES UNDER THE PARI-MUTUEL OR CERTIFICATE SYSTEM OF BETTING.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section three of chapter one hundred
2 and twenty-eight A of the General Laws, as amended
3 by chapter two hundred and thirty-nine and chapter
4 four hundred and fifty-four of the acts of nineteen
5 hundred and thirty-five, is hereby further amended
6 by inserting after the word "track" in the fifth line
7 of paragraph (h), as so appearing, the words:— one
8 mile or more in circumference, — so that said para-
9 graph will read as follows:—

10 (h) No licenses shall be issued to permit horse rac-
11 ing meetings to be held or conducted, except in con-
12 nection with a state or county fair, at the same time
13 at a race track within the commonwealth, nor at any
14 time at a race track, one mile or more in circumfer-

15 ence, located within fifty miles of another race track
16 within the commonwealth, one mile or more in cir-
17 cumference; provided, that licenses may be issued to
18 permit such meetings to be held or conducted at the
19 same time at not more than two race tracks if such
20 tracks are seventy-five miles apart.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its
2 passage.