SENATE No. 2289

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Anthony W. Petruccelli

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act adjusting the number of racing days at Suffolk Downs.

PETITION OF:

NAME: Anthony W. Petruccelli DISTRICT/ADDRESS: First Suffolk and Middlesex

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By Mr. Petruccelli, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2289) of Anthony W. Petruccelli for legislation to adjust the number of racing days at Suffolk Downs. Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

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In the Year Two Thousand Fourteen

An Act adjusting the number of racing days at Suffolk Downs.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to further regulate forthwith simulcasting, therefore, it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

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

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding section 2 of chapter 128C of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, in calendar years 2014 and 2015, no racing meeting licensee located in Suffolk county shall simulcast live races in the racing season unless the racing meeting licensee is licensed to and actually conducts at least 500 live races over the course of not less than 60 calendar days during the 2014 and 2015 racing seasons with not fewer than 7 races completed on any of those 60 calendar days, or such other number of live races and racing days as may be approved by the Massachusetts Gaming Commission in the interest of the health and safety of horses, riders and drivers.

9 SECTION 2. Section 1 is hereby repealed.

10 SECTION 3. Section 2 shall take effect on January 1, 2016.