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Legislative Audit Committee c/o Tori Hunthausen, Legislative Auditor Room 160, State Capitol Helena, MT 59620-1705

Dear Legislative Audit Committee:

The Economic Affairs Interim Committee respectfully requests an audit of the Board of Horseracing and its implementation in 2008 of statutes related to fantasy sports gambling in Title 23, chapter 4. Specifically, the Committee is concerned that the approach taken by the Board of Horseracing in its rules and the use of an intra-agency agreement with the Montana Lottery Commission may run counter to the intent of House Bill 616, which authorized fantasy sports gambling in Montana to be conducted by a "parimutuel facility licensed by the Board of Horseracing".

We would appreciate this being added to the November agenda of the Legislative Audit Committee for discussion of whether to include this audit in your list of performance audits. Thank you for this consideration.

Sincerely,

Representative Scott Mendenhall Presiding Officer, Economic Affairs Committee

cc: Al Carruthers, Board of Horseracing, chairman George Parisot, Montana Lottery Commission

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