

**SENATE, No. 455**

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**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**218th LEGISLATURE**

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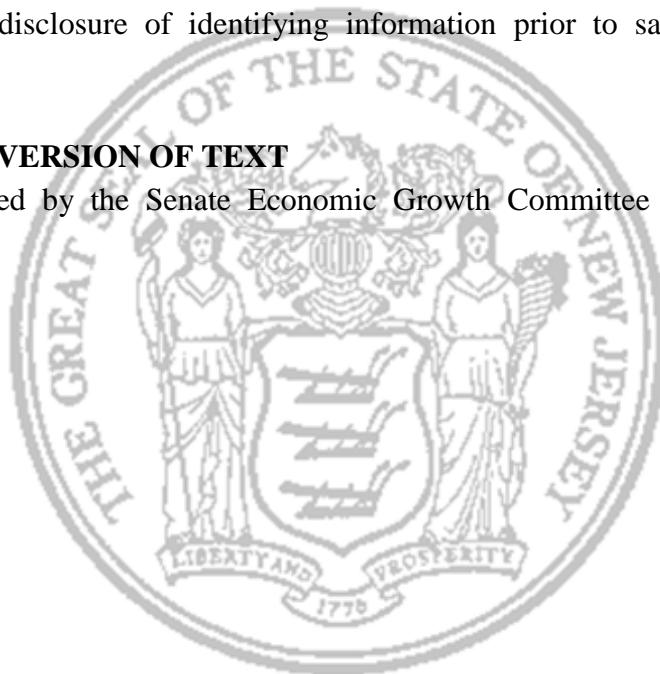
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**SYNOPSIS**

Requires disclosure of identifying information prior to sale of horse at auction.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As reported by the Senate Economic Growth Committee with technical review.



**(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 2/26/2019)**

1   **AN ACT** concerning the sale of horses at auction, and  
2       supplementing Title 4 of the Revised Statutes.

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4       **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*  
5       *of New Jersey:*

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7       1.   a.   Before any horse may be sold at an auction, the auction  
8       organizer shall determine whether the horse has an implanted  
9       microchip or has been tattooed or branded with any identifying  
10      mark. If the horse has an implanted microchip, tattoo, or brand, the  
11      auction organizer shall post, on its Internet website, all identifying  
12      information, including any identification number contained in the  
13      microchip and a detailed description or picture of any tattoo or  
14      brand found on the horse.

15      b.   No horse shall be offered for sale at an auction before 72  
16      hours have elapsed following posting of the horse's identifying  
17      information on the auction organizer's Internet website.

18      c.   For a minimum of one year following the date of sale, for  
19      each horse sold at auction, an auction organizer shall maintain  
20      appropriate records which accurately document compliance with  
21      this section, including:

- 22          (1)   the presence or absence of a microchip, tattoo, or brand;  
23          (2)   the date and time of the posting of the information required  
24      by this section; and  
25          (3)   the date and time each horse was sold at auction.

26      d.   Any person who violates this section shall be subject to a  
27      civil penalty up to \$200 for the first offense and up to \$500 for the  
28      second and each subsequent offense, to be collected in a civil action  
29      by a summary proceeding under the "Penalty Enforcement Law of  
30      1999," P.L.1999, c.274 (C.2A:58-10 et seq.).

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32      2.   This act shall take effect immediately.