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Senator Lavon Heidemann
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Senator Heidemann;

This is the Racing Commission response to your memorandum dated December 4, 2009 regarding Legislative Bill 1, 2, 3 from the One Hundred First Legislature, First Special Session, 2009. The Racing Commission was not included in the above Legislative Bills so your request in this memorandum is not applicable to the Racing Commission.

But with that being said I would like to inform you that the Racing Commission has every intention to self impose a 2.5% budget cut for FY10 and a 5 % budget cut for FY11 to be in line with cuts other state agencies face. The Racing Commission has had declining revenues and self imposing these cuts will help us maintain our ability to regulate horse racing in the State.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at (402) 471-4155 or tom.sage@nebraska.gov.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tom Sage".

Tom Sage
Executive Secretary
Nebraska Racing Commission

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