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Tallahassee, Fla. – Today, **Representative Dan Daley (D-Coral Springs)** sent a letter to **Governor Ron DeSantis (R- Florida)** requesting he veto **SB 8A** to save an industry which supports over 10,000 Florida families.

Decoupling Standardbred (harness) racing in Florida will mean the end of an industry that has an estimated economic impact on this state of over \$750 million. There are 62 farms and 7 training facilities across the Florida. **SB 8A** favors out of state gaming interests over hardworking Florida small business owners.

"Governor, I am the son of a Standardbred horseman. I grew up on the grounds of the Isle with this industry and the families that depend on it," **Representative Daley** stated in his letter. "While the Standardbred industry may not be as glamorous as the bigger Thoroughbred industry, these are some of the most dedicated, hardworking individuals you will ever meet."