



Double Deck Trailers for Horses?

Not under Pennsylvania, New York Massachusetts, & Vermont Laws

Since 1995 the **Equine Protection Network, EPN** hadvocated for passage of legislation banning inhumane double deck trailers to transport *any horse no matter what its final destination*. Our efforts resulted in passage of **The PA Horse Transport Law of 2001**, one of Pennsylvania's strongest criminal laws and the strongest law of its kind in the United States. Unlike the Commercial Transportation of Horses to Slaughter Act of 1996 effective in 2007, Pennsylvania, New York, Massachusetts & Vermont laws apply to *any horse, no matter what its final destination!* Our efforts also resulted in passage of three amendments to New York law that both increased penalties and closed two loopholes in the law!

At the same time the **EPN** assisted in enforcement of Pennsylvania & New York Horse Transport Laws.



3 Hills

PA Horse Transport Law of 2001

Title 18, 5511(e.1) Transporting equine animals in cruel manner. ~ Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a person commits a summary offense for each equine animal if the person carries, or causes or allows to be carried any equine animal in or upon any conveyance, or other vehicle whatsoever with two or more levels STACKED ON TOP OF ONE ANOTHER. A person who violates this subsection on a second or subsequent occasion commits a misdemeanor of the third degree for each equine animal transported.

■ Equine Protection Network 3 Hills (2) ~ Plymouth Meeting, PA September 2005 Whitemarsh Police Department

- David Morehead, and Matthew DeLarm, drivers for Three Hills Rodeo, Bernard, Iowa **GUILTY PLEAS** ~ \$5000.00 in Fines for 36 Horses; DeLarm Fined \$2400; Morehead: Fined \$2600.00.



Sugarcreek

■ Equine Protection Network Sugacreek ~ New Holland, Pennsylvania – September 2001

- Sugarcreek Livestock Trucking Inc, Sugarcreek, OH; New Holland Sales Stables, New Holland, PA; New Holland Sales Stables **GUILTY** after Hearing \$1600.00 Fine; Sugarcreek Livestock Trucking **GUILTY PLEA** \$1600.00 Fine.; 31 Horses Forfeited



Kiehl

NY Horse Transport Law of 1980

■ Equine Protection Network Kiehl Double New York- New York State Police, NYSP: Arlow Kiehl & Agents/Drivers

- Fines Paid under NY Ag & Markets, Section 359-a: \$4600.00. Convicted on 55 counts of NY Ag & Markets Law, Section 359-a. 54 violations and 1 misdemeanor.; Barker, NY, June 1998 – 17 Horses: **GUILTY PLEA** & pays \$500.00 Fine; Preble, NY June 1998 - 22 Horses: **GUILTY PLEA** & pays \$2000.00 Fine; Kirkwood, NY, February 1999 - 17 Horses: Mr. Simmons Found **GUILTY** after Trial \$800 Fine; Barker, NY, December 2000 - 19 Horses: **GUILTY PLEA** \$300.00 Fine; Barker, NY, January 2002 32 Horses: **GUILTY PLEA** \$1000.00 Fine; Misdemeanor Conditional Discharge: Activity Monitored 1 year lieu of Jail Time



Nickerson

■ Equine Protection Network Nickerson (2) ~ New York-New York State Police, NYSP: Nickerson Livestock & Agents/Drivers

- Kirkwood, NY, April 1998 – 27 horses, 2 mules, 1 pony; Kevin Nickerson driver for Nickerson Livestock – **GUILTY** after trial Pays Maximum \$3000.00 Fine; Schroon, NY, November 1998; Donald Nickerson; Pleads **GUILTY** Fined \$1400.00; 32 Horses



Carper

■ Equine Protection Network Network Carper ~ New York- New York State Police, NYSP: Agents/Drivers for Frank Carper

- David Carper Agent of Frank Carper: Schroon Lake, NY April 1994 - Found **GUILTY 110 Violations** after Trial, Fined \$11,000 Fine Remains Unpaid, 40 Horses; Westport, NY June 1992; Darren Gouveia, **GUILTY** after Trial Fined \$300.00, 35 Horses, 1 pony, 1 mule, 2 burros, 12 Injured including 2 blind, Top Deck: 5' 10", Bottom Deck: 6'

Carry a Horse Transport Law in your car & help enforce PA, NY, MA, & VT laws prohibiting use of double deck trailers to transport any horse, *no matter what its final destination!*