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# Churchill: Horse racing doesn't deserve public money

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Horses running last year at Belmont Park. Chris Churchill says: Given recent horse deaths at Belmont Park and Churchill Downs, why should New York taxpayers continue to generously support such a dubious activity? (Mark Lennihan/AP)

ALBANY — Two more horses died at Belmont Park over the weekend, the 16th and 17th "equine deaths" at the Long Island track this year are the latest stains on a troubled industry.