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L.D. 701

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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
123RD LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

HOUSE AMENDMENT "B" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "B" to H.P. 532, L.D. 701, Bill, "An Act To Authorize the Operation of Slot Machines on Indian Island in Old Town"

Amend the amendment in section 5 in subsection 1 in paragraph C in the 2nd line (page 3, line 18 in amendment) by striking out the following: "\$55,000" and inserting the following: '\$13,750'

Amend the amendment in section 5 in subsection 1 in paragraph C in the 4th line (page 3, line 20 in amendment) by striking out the following: "\$20,000" and inserting the following: '\$5,000'

Amend the amendment in section 7 in subsection 3 by striking out all of paragraph C (page 4, lines 19 and 20 in amendment) and inserting the following:

'C. A slot machine operator that is a federally recognized Indian tribe that operates high-stakes beano may not operate more than 100 slot machines. Those machines may be operated only on weekends that the tribe is licensed to and conducts high-stakes beano in accordance with Title 17, section 314-A.'

Amend the amendment in section 9 in subsection 2-A in the first paragraph in the 3rd line (page 5, line 26 in amendment) by striking out the following: "38%" and inserting the following: '22%'

Amend the amendment in section 9 in subsection 2-A in paragraph B in the first line (page 5, line 31 in amendment) by striking out the following: "Two and one half" and inserting the following: 'One and one half'

Amend the amendment in section 9 in subsection 2-A in paragraph C in the first line (page 5, line 34 in amendment) by striking out the following: "Two and one half" and inserting the following: 'One and one half'

Amend the amendment in section 9 in subsection 2-A in paragraph D in the first line (page 5, line 38 in amendment) by striking out the following: "Five" and inserting the following: 'Three'

HOUSE AMENDMENT

H. 018

HOUSE AMENDMENT "B" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "B" to H.P. 532, L.D. 701

- 1 Amend the amendment in section 9 in subsection 2-A in paragraph E in the first line
- 2 (page 6, line 1 in amendment) by striking out the following: "Five" and inserting the
- 3 following: 'Two and one half'
- 4 Amend the amendment in section 9 in subsection 2-A in paragraph F in the first line
- 5 (page 6, line 4 in amendment) by striking out the following: "Five" and inserting the
- 6 following: 'Two and one half'
- 7 Amend the amendment in section 9 in subsection 2-A in paragraph G in the first line
- 8 (page 6, line 6 in amendment) by striking out the following: "Five" and inserting the
- 9 following: 'Two and one half'
- 10 Amend the amendment in section 9 in subsection 2-A in paragraph H in the first line
- 11 (page 6, line 10 in amendment) by striking out the following: "Five" and inserting the
- 12 following: 'Two and one half'
- 13 Amend the amendment in section 9 in subsection 2-A in paragraph I in the first line
- 14 (page 6, line 13 in amendment) by striking out the following: "Five" and inserting the
- 15 following: 'Three'

SUMMARY

17 This amendment incorporates the changes made by House Amendment "A" to
18 Committee Amendment "B" to H.P. 532, L.D. 701 and reduces the initial application fee
19 and the annual renewal fee for a license to operate slot machines held by a federally
20 recognized Indian tribe licensed to operate high-stakes beano to reflect the lower number
21 of slot machines that are authorized to be operated.

22 **SPONSORED BY:** John L. Patrick
 23 **(Representative PATRICK)**
 24 **TOWN: Rumford**

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)

HOUSE AMENDMENT



123rd MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 701

LR 666(07)

An Act To Authorize the Operation of Slot Machines on Indian Island in Old Town

Fiscal Note for House Amendment "B" to Committee Amendment "B"

Sponsor: Rep. Patrick of Rumford

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

	2007-08	2008-09	Projections 2009-10	Projections 2010-11
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$41,250	\$15,000
Appropriations/Allocations				
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$0	(\$116,640)	(\$116,640)
Revenue				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	(\$41,250)	(\$15,000)
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$0	(\$116,640)	(\$116,640)

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This amendment decreases the number of slot machines a federally-recognized Indian tribe that operates high-stakes beano can operate from 400 to 100, and limits the days those machines can be operated to weekends that the tribe is licensed to and conducts high stakes beano. Although the committee amendment had allowed 400 machines and did not limit their operation to beano days, the fiscal note for it, in accordance with the proposed start-up plan, had assumed 100 machines operating only on beano days through the time horizon expressed above. Therefore, making these restrictions statutory by this floor amendment will not change the fiscal impact expressed by the committee amendment through FY 2010-11. The subsequent years, however, would have grown in revenue as the number of machines would have risen to 400, assuming demand would have warranted such growth. This floor amendment would prevent such future growth.

Decreasing the distribution of net slot machine income from 38% to 22% will increase the amount received by the licensee and decrease various Other Special Revenue Funds amounts by a total of \$116,640 annually beginning in fiscal year 2009-10. This change will not affect the General Fund.

The amendment reduces the initial application fee for a license to operate slot machines by a federally recognized Indian tribe licensed to operate high stakes beano from \$55,000 to \$13,750, and reduces the annual renewal fee of this license from \$20,000 to \$5,000. These reductions in license fees will result in a reduction of General Fund revenue in fiscal year 2009-10 of \$41,250, and a reduction of \$15,000 in each year thereafter.