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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
125TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1400,
L.D. 1897, Bill, "An Act To Establish a Competitive Bid Process for Future Casinos and
Slot Machine Facilities"

Amend the amendment in section 3 in subsection 1 in paragraph A in the last line
(page 2, line 6 in amendment) by inserting after the following: "Senate" the following: '
The Senators appointed to serve on the commission pursuant to this paragraph continue to
serve until the commission has completed its work'

Amend the amendment in section 3 in subsection 1 in paragraph B in the last line
(page 2, line 9 in amendment) by inserting after the following: "House" the following: '
The members of the House of Representatives appointed to serve on the commission
pursuant to this paragraph continue to serve until the commission has completed its work'

Amend the amendment in section 3 in subsection 1 in paragraph J in the last line
(page 2, line 28 in amendment) by striking out the following: "and"

Amend the amendment in section 3 in subsection 1 in paragraph K in the last line
(page 2, line 31 in amendment) by striking out the following: "House." and inserting the
following: 'House;'

Amend the amendment in section 3 in subsection 1 by inserting at the end the
following:

L. A person who is in the business of developing casinos or slot machine facilities
who is not licensed to operate a casino or slot machine facility in this State at the time
that person is appointed to the commission appointed by the President of the Senate;

M. A representative of the agricultural fairs in this State appointed by the Speaker of
the House;

N. A representative of the Maine Chamber of Commerce appointed by the President
of the Senate; and

O. A representative of the tourism industry appointed by the Speaker of the House.'

Amend the amendment in section 3 in subsection 2 in the first and 2nd lines (page 2,
lines 32 and 33 in amendment) by striking out the following: "by February 1, 2013" and
inserting the following: 'no later than 120 days after the adjournment of the Second
Regular Session of the 125th Legislature'

1 Amend the amendment in section 3 in subsection 3 in the last line (page 3, line 12 in
2 amendment) by inserting after the following: "casino" the following: 'except that the
3 commission may recommend a minimum cash bid or license fee in an amount other than
4 \$5,000,000 when a deviation from the \$5,000,000 amount is warranted based on the
5 geography or demographics of the location of a proposed slot machine facility or casino
6 or the size of the proposed slot machine facility or casino'

7 Amend the amendment in section 3 by striking out all of subsection 5 (page 3, lines
8 19 to 23 in amendment) and inserting the following:

9 **'5. Report and legislation.** By February 1, 2013, the commission shall submit a
10 preliminary report based on its findings under subsection 3, including any
11 recommendations for legislation, to the joint standing committee of the Legislature
12 having jurisdiction over casino matters, which is authorized to report out a bill to the First
13 Regular Session of the 126th Legislature. The commission shall submit a final report to
14 the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over casino matters by
15 April 3, 2013.'

16 SUMMARY

17 This amendment adds the following members to the Commission To Develop a
18 Competitive Bidding Process for the Operation of Additional Casinos or Slot Machine
19 Facilities:

- 20 1. A person who is in the business of developing casinos or slot machine facilities;
- 21 2. A representative of agricultural fairs;
- 22 3. A representative of the Maine Chamber of Commerce; and
- 23 4. A representative of the tourism industry.

24 It moves up the deadline for appointing commission members from February 1, 2013
25 to no later than 120 days after the adjournment of the Second Regular Session of the
26 125th Legislature. It moves up the deadline for the commission to submit a preliminary
27 report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over casino
28 matters from February 15, 2014 to February 1, 2013 with a final report due by April 3,
29 2013.

30 It allows the commission to recommend a minimum cash bid or license fee in an
31 amount other than \$5,000,000 when a deviation from the \$5,000,000 amount is warranted
32 based on the geography or demographics of the location of a proposed slot machine
33 facility or casino or the size of the proposed slot machine facility or casino.

34 SPONSORED BY: 

35 (Representative WILLETTE, M.)

36 TOWN: Presque Isle

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)



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An Act To Establish a Competitive Bid Process for Future Casinos and Slot Machine Facilities

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

Sponsor: Rep. Willette of Presque Isle

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Legislative Cost/Study

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This amendment reduces the total cost of the commission by \$220, but increases the costs that would be incurred in fiscal year 2012-13 by \$1,780.