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agricultural societies and associations, Boy Seouts of America activities pomological societies or poultry associations as defined and regulated under Title 7, chapter 3, or military activities.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

Effective June 21, 1977

CHAPTER 348

AN ACT Pertaining to License Fees for the Regulation of Certain Amusements.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Sec. 1. 8 MRSA § 2, 1st sentence is amended to read:

Municipal officers of towns may license suitable persons to keep bowling alleys, shooting galleries, pool, bagatelle and billiard rooms therein, in any place where it will not disturb the peace and quiet of a family, for which the person licensed shall pay \$10 \$20 to such town.

Sec. 2. 8 MRSA § 443, 1st sentence is amended to read:

The license required shall be obtained from said clerk upon the payment of an annual fee of \$5 \$10 for each premise on which such machine or machines shall be located and shall expire on June 30th of each year.

Effective October 24, 1977

CHAPTER 349

AN ACT to Permit Trial Work Periods under the Workmen's Compensation Statutes.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

39 MRSA § 100-A is enacted to read:

§ 100-A. Orders or agreements for trial work periods

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The Industrial Accident Commission may approve an agreement of the parties to a trial work period at a specified job for a period not to exceed 3 months. During such trial work period and the payment of wages therefor, the payment of compensation under decree or approved agreement shall be suspended. Such suspension shall cease and weekly compensation shall be restored in the amount being paid prior to the commencement of the trial work period immediately upon the filing of a petition by the employee stating that he has attempted a trial work period and was unable to adequately perform during the same.

Effective October 24, 1977

CHAPTER 350

AN ACT Relating to the Regulation of Games of Chance,

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Sec. 1. 17 MRSA § 330, as last amended by PL 1975, c. 740, §§ 3 and 4, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

§ 330. Definitions

As used in this chapter, unless the context indicates otherwise, the following words shall have the following meanings.

1. Distributor. "Distributor" shall mean a person, firm, corporation, association or organization that sells, markets or otherwise distributes sealed tickets, gambling apparatus or any other implements of gambling that may be used in the conduct of a game of chance.

2. Game of chance. "Game of chance" shall mean a game, contest, scheme or device in which a person stakes or risks something of value for an opportunity to win something of value and in which the outcome depends in a material degree upon an element of chance, notwithstanding that skill of the contestant or participant may also be a factor therein. For the purposes of this chapter, beano or bingo is not to be included in this definition.

3. Licensee. "Licensee" shall mean a firm, corporation, association or organization licensed by the Chief of the State Police to operate a game of chance.

4. Printer. "Printer" shall mean a person, firm, corporation, association or organization that reproduces in printed form, for sale or distribution, materials to be used in the conduct of a game of chance.

5. Raffle. "Raffle" shall mean a game of chance in which: