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

Effective April 2, 1981

CHAPTER 128

S. P. 180 — L. D. 458

AN ACT Providing Due Process when the State Liquor Commission Designates a Location for a State Liquor Store.

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

28 MRSA § 151-A is enacted to read:

§ 151-A. Notice on locating state retail stores

1. Notice. At least 30 days prior to designating the location or relocation of a state retail liquor store, the commission shall notify in writing the municipal officers of:

- A. The municipality in which the store is presently located; and
- B. The municipality in which it is proposed to locate or relocate the store.

2. Notice to lessor. If the commission intends to terminate or not renew a lease or contract for occupancy of a building for a state retail liquor store, it shall notify, in writing, the lessor of that intention. Notice shall be given:

- A. Within the time limits required by the lease or contract for the lessor to notify the commissioner of his intention to terminate or not renew; or
- B. If there is no lease or contract provision establishing the time period for the lessor to notify the commission, at least 30 days prior to the termination or nonrenewal.

3. Hearing. If requested by the notified municipal officers, the commission shall hold a public hearing in the affected municipality at least 10 days prior to designating that location or relocation.

4. Exception for certain leases. If the commission's occupancy of a store location is terminated under a lease or contract in a manner that prevents compliance with subsection 1 or 3, the commission shall immediately notify the

municipal officers of that termination, and shall hold a hearing, if requested, within a reasonable time before designating a new location.

5. Findings. The designation of a location for a state retail liquor store shall be in writing and shall contain findings of fact supporting the designation.

Effective September 18, 1981

CHAPTER 129

H. P. 503 — L. D. 554

AN ACT Relating to the Licensing of Pin Ball Machines.

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

8 MRSA § 446-A is enacted to read:

§ 446-A. Local option

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this chapter to the contrary, a municipality may provide by ordinance that the issuance, denial and revocation of pin ball licenses be handled by the municipal officers. Such an ordinance may also contain additional licensing requirements. If a municipality adopts such an ordinance, the actions of the municipal officers are subject to review in Superior Court pursuant to Maine Rules of Civil Procedure, Rule 80B.

Effective September 18, 1981

CHAPTER 130

H. P. 504 — L. D. 555

AN ACT Relating to Games of Chance Sponsored by Charitable Organizations.

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

17 MRSA § 341, as repealed and replaced by PL 1977, c. 350, § 13, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

§ 341. Limits on games of chance