

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**LAWS**  
**OF THE**  
**STATE OF MAINE**

**AS PASSED BY THE**

**ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE**

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**IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MAINE REVISED STATUTES ANNOTATED,**  
**TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.**

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**Augusta, Maine**  
**2015**

and complaint by first-class mail to the defendant's last known address and leaving the summons and complaint at the defendant's last and usual place of abode. If service has been made by mailing and posting the summons and complaint, the plaintiff shall file with the court an affidavit demonstrating that compliance with the requirement of service has occurred. When the plaintiff lives out of the State and a recognizance is required of the plaintiff, any person may recognize in the plaintiff's behalf and is personally liable. ~~This paragraph is repealed September 1, 2016.~~

~~Beginning September 1, 2016, the process of forcible entry and detainer must be commenced and service made in the same manner as other civil actions. When the plaintiff lives out of the State and a recognizance is required of the plaintiff, any person may recognize in the plaintiff's behalf and is personally liable.~~

See title page for effective date.

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**CHAPTER 23**

**H.P. 182 - L.D. 264**

**An Act To Restore the Right To Possess Certain Knives That Are Used by Many Citizens as Tools**

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

**Sec. 1. 17-A MRSA §1055**, as amended by PL 2011, c. 464, §18, is repealed.

See title page for effective date.

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**CHAPTER 24**

**H.P. 188 - L.D. 270**

**An Act To Temporarily Reduce the Annual High-stakes Beano Fee from \$50,000 to \$25,000**

**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

**Whereas**, passage of this legislation is necessary to ensure the continued operation of high-stakes beano gaming by the Penobscot Nation; and

**Whereas**, many jobs and the operation of an elderly assisted living center depend upon high-stakes beano gaming; and

**Whereas**, this legislation needs to take effect before next year's license fee to operate high-stakes beano games becomes due; and

**Whereas**, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

**Sec. 1. 17 MRSA §314-A, sub-§4**, as amended by PL 2011, c. 410, §2, is further amended to read:

**4. Term of license; fees.** A license issued under this section is valid for a period of one year. The annual license fee for a high-stakes beano license is \$50,000, except that the annual license fee due in 2008 to ~~2013~~ 2016 is \$25,000. License fees may be paid in advance in quarterly installments. All license fees must be paid to the Treasurer of State to be credited to the General Fund.

**Sec. 2. Retroactivity.** This Act applies retroactively to July 1, 2014.

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved.

Effective April 16, 2015.

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**CHAPTER 25**

**H.P. 234 - L.D. 340**

**An Act To Extend the Statutory Sunset of the Green Power Offer**

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

**Sec. 1. 35-A MRSA §3212-A, sub-§3**, as amended by PL 2009, c. 329, Pt. B, §5, is further amended to read:

**3. Repeal.** This section is repealed ~~December 31, 2015~~ April 1, 2021.

See title page for effective date.

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**CHAPTER 26**

**S.P. 143 - L.D. 375**

**An Act To Create a Blue Alert Program in Maine**