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LD 16 An Act To Change the Renewal Application Deadline from 6 Months to 60 Days before the Expiration of a License Issued by the Gambling Control Board

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2021, chapter 22 makes the following changes to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 8, chapter 31, which governs the licensure and regulation of slot machine facilities, casinos and advance deposit wagering by the Gambling Control Board.

1. It changes the deadline for submitting a license-renewal application from six months to 60 days prior to the expiration of the current license.
2. It clarifies that a licensed slot machine operator or casino operator must first seek local approval for renewal of the license before submitting a license-renewal application to the board.
3. It corrects an inconsistency in the law by clarifying that licenses to conduct advance deposit wagering are effective for five years.

LD 102 An Act To Extend the Time Frame for Processing Absentee Ballots

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2021, chapter 11 authorizes the processing of absentee ballots beginning on the seventh day immediately prior to election day rather than beginning on the fourth day immediately prior to election day as in current law. It further provides that, if a municipal clerk intends to process absentee ballots prior to election day, the municipal clerk must send a notice of early processing to the Secretary of State and to the chair of each political party 30 days before election day rather than 60 days before election day as in current law.

LD 139 Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapters 33 to 43, Concerning the Regulation of Fantasy Contests, Major Substantive Rules of the Department of Public Safety, Gambling Control Unit

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Resolve 2021, chapter 7 authorizes final adoption of the following major substantive rules of the Department of Public Safety, Gambling Control Unit, which govern the operation of fantasy contests in the State, only if the rules are amended to clarify whether a licensed fantasy contest operator's gross fantasy contest revenues will be calculated on a calendar-year basis or over the 12-month term of the license and only if a number of other specified technical changes to the rules are made prior to adoption: Chapter 33, Introduction; Chapter 34, Definitions; Chapter 35, License Application; Chapter 36, License Fee and Renewal; Chapter 37, Fantasy Contest Monitoring;

ENACTED LAW SUMMARIES