

ONE HUNDRED AND SECOND LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

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Presented by Senator Smith of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to Beano.

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

Whereas, beano is the most popular form of entertainment of guests in resort hotels and has been used as such in the resorts of this State for many years; and

Whereas, such entertainment in resort hotels has recently been prohibited by the State Police as illegal under Revised Statutes, Title 17, chapter 13; and

Whereas, the following legislation is vitally necessary to enable resort hotel operators to satisfactorily entertain their guests; 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:

R. S., T. 17, § 301, amended. The last sentence of section 301 of Title 17 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows: 'This chapter shall not be construed to apply to any other amusement or game **nor to "Beano" or "Bingo" conducted during a resort season in bona fide resort hotels for the entertainment of guests registered therein**.'

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

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EDWIN H. PERT, Secretary