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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
107TH LEGISLATURE

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 316, L.D. 394, Bill, "AN ACT to Allow Certain Nonprofit, Volunteer and Educational Organizations to Operate Games of Chance without a License from the Maine State Police."

Amend said Bill by striking out in the 2nd line of the Title (same in L.D.) the words "Games of Chance" and inserting in place thereof the words 'a Raffle'

Further amend said Bill in that part designated "§331." by inserting in the first line of subsection 2 after the word "license" the following underlined words and punctuation: 'to conduct or operate a raffle as defined in section 330, subsection 3,'

Further amend said Bill in that part designated "§331." by striking out all of paragraph A of subsection 2 and inserting in place thereof the following:

'A. Nonprofit organizations. Any bona fide, nonprofit organization which is either charitable, educational, political, civic, recreational, fraternal, patriotic or religious or any auxiliary thereof;

Further amend said Bill in the last paragraph of subsection 2 of that part designated "§331." by striking out in the 3rd line (2nd line of L.D.) the underlined words "game of chance" and inserting in place thereof the underlined word 'raffle'

Further amend said Bill in the last paragraph of subsection 2 of that part designated "§331." by striking out in the 5th line (4th line of L.D.) the underlined words "game of chance" and inserting in place thereof the underlined word 'raffle'

Further amend said Bill in section 1 in that part designated "§331." by inserting after subsection 4 the following:

'5. Single purpose professional or trade organizations. Single purpose professional or trade organizations are not exempt under this subsection.'

Further amend said Bill by striking out all of sections 2, 3 and 4 of the bill.

Further amend said Bill by renumbering sections 5 and 6 to be sections 2 and 3.

Further amend said Bill by striking out all of section 7 and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Sec. 4. 17 MRSA §337, 3rd ¶, as enacted by PL 1973, c. 735, §3, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

No distributor shall sell, market or otherwise distribute raffle tickets, gambling apparatus or implements to any person or organization, except to such persons or organizations licensed to operate or conduct games of chance under the provisions of section 332, or, with respect to raffle tickets, to those organizations, departments or classes listed under section 331, subsection 2.'

Further amend said Bill by striking out all of sections 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12.

Statement of Fact

It is the intent of this amendment to reduce the scope of the Act from all games of chance to only raffles and to clarify the language and intent of the bill.

Reported by the Majority of the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Reproduced and distributed under the direction of the Clerk of the House.

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