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STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
107TH LEGISLATURE

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " A " to S.P. 299, L.D. 1031, Bill,
"AN ACT Relating to the Maine State Lottery Law."

Amend said Bill by striking out everything after the
enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Sec. 1. 8 MRSA §351, 3rd and 4th ¶¶, as enacted by
PL 1973, c.570, §1, are repealed and the following enacted in
place thereof:

Any member of the commission may be removed from office
by the Governor if such member is absent from 3 consecutive
regularly scheduled monthly meetings or 6 such meetings in
any fiscal year, or for other cause, upon notice and
opportunity to be heard at a public hearing.

The members of the commission shall receive no salaries
but shall be allowed reasonable expenses in the performance
of their official duties not exceeding \$5,000 per year in
the case of the chairman and \$3,500 in the case of each of
the other commissioners. These expenses shall include a per
diem of \$25 for each commission meeting attended, not to
exceed 20 such meetings in any fiscal year and such other
reasonable expenses incurred in attendance and travel to and
from such meetings.

Sec. 2. 8 MRSA §352, last ¶, as enacted by PL 1973,
c. 570, §1, is repealed and the following enacted in place
thereof:

The director shall devote his entire time and attention
to the duties of his office.

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Sec. 3. 8 MRSA §353, sub-§1, ¶J, as enacted by PL 1973, c. 570, §1, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

J. The license fee to be charged to agents,

Sec. 4. 8 MRSA §353, sub-§1, ¶L, as last amended by PL 1973, c. 788, §32, is further amended to read:

L. The apportionment of the total annual revenue accruing from the sale of lottery tickets or shares and from all other sources for the payment of prizes to the holders of winning tickets or shares, for the payment of costs incurred in the operation and administration of the lotteries, including the expense of the commission and the costs resulting from any contract or contracts entered into for promotional, advertising, consulting or operational services or for the purchase or lease of lottery equipment and materials, for the repayment of the moneys appropriated to the State Lottery Fund and for transfer to the General Fund for distribution pursuant to section 366, subsection 1, paragraph C.

Sec. 5. 8 MRSA §355, sub-§1, 1st sentence, as enacted by PL 1973, c. 570, §1, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

A license as an agent to sell lottery tickets or shares may be issued by the director to any qualified person.

Sec. 6. 8 MRSA §366, last ¶, as enacted by PL 1973, c. 570, §1, is repealed.

Sec. 7. 8 MRSA §366, sub-§2 is enacted to read:

2. Apportionment. The moneys in said State Lottery Fund shall be apportioned so that not less than 45% of the total ticket sales received in the lottery will be disbursed as prizes to holders of winning tickets. All other moneys, less reasonable costs for the proper administration of the State Lottery, will be the State's share.'

Statement of Fact

The purposes of this amendment are to clarify certain heretofore vague or ambiguous sections of the law relating to the State Lottery.

Reported by the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

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