

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1175, L.D. 1455, Bill,  
"AN ACT to Establish a State Gambling Commission and to Permit  
Gambling within Certain Areas of the State."

Amend the Bill in section 1 by striking out all of subsections  
7 and 9 of that part designated "§401." and by renumbering  
subsection 8 to be subsection 7.

Further amend the Bill in section 1 by striking out all  
of the first paragraph of that part designated "§403." and  
inserting in its place the following:

'The commission shall be under the immediate supervision  
and direction of a director, who shall be a person qualified  
by training and experience to oversee state gambling activities.  
The director shall be appointed by the Governor and shall serve  
in the unclassified service for a term coterminous with  
the Governor. He shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor,  
subject to removal for cause by the Governor. Any vacancy  
occurring shall be filled by appointment in the same manner as the  
original appointment for a like term.'

Further amend the Bill in section 1 by striking out all of  
paragraphs A and C of subsection 1 of that part designated  
"§406." and inserting in their place the following:

'A. Deal, operate, carry on, conduct, maintain or expose  
for play in the State any game or slot machine as defined  
in this chapter;

C. Receive, directly or indirectly, any compensation  
or reward or any percentage or share of the money or property

played, for keeping, running or carrying on any game or slot machine, without first having procured, and thereafter maintaining in full force and effect, all federal, state, county and municipal gambling licenses required by statute or ordinance.'

Statement of Fact

This amendment deletes any provisions for off-track betting and changes the term of the director of the State Gambling Commission from 7 years to a term coterminous with the Governor and at his pleasure.

Reported by the Minority of the Committee on Legal Affairs.

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