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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 293, L.D. 337, Bill,
"AN ACT to Revise the Maine State Lottery."

Amend the Bill in section 3 in that part designated
"§351-A." by striking out all of subsection 2 and inserting
in its place the following:

'2. Council. "Council" means the State Lottery Advisory
Council.'

'3. Director. "Director" means the Director of the State
Lotteries Bureau.'

Further amend the Bill in section 5 by striking out all
of the first line and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 5. 8 MRSA §§352-A, 353-A and 354-A are enacted
to read:'

Further amend the Bill in section 5 by inserting at the
end the following:

'§354-A. State Lottery Advisory Council

1. Appointment, composition, term, compensation. There is
established a State Lottery Advisory Council which shall
consist of 3 members, appointed by the Governor. All members shall
be citizens and residents of this State and no more than 2 of the
3 members may be members of the same political party. The
members shall be appointed for terms of 3 years, except that of
the members first appointed ^{one} /shall be appointed for a term of
one year, ^{one} /for a term of 2 years and one for a term of 3 years.
The term of the members first appointed shall be designated by
the Governor. Members shall serve until their successors

are appointed. Any vacancy on the council occurring for any reason, other than the expiration of^a term, shall be filled for the remainder of the unexpired term in the same manner as the original appointment.

The members of the council shall not receive salaries, but each member shall be compensated at the rate of \$25 for each day spent at a council meeting and may be reimbursed for actual expenses within the limits set for state employees. The total compensation and expenses paid to any council member shall not exceed \$1,500 each fiscal year for the chairman and \$1,000 each fiscal year for each of the other members.

2. Powers and duties; meetings; officers. The council shall give the director information and advice concerning the administration of the bureau and carry out other duties specifically delegated by this chapter. The council shall hold regular quarterly meetings with the director, or a person designated by him for that purpose, at the^{State} Capitol. The council, at the first meeting in each year, shall elect one of its members as chairman and one as vice-chairman, both for a term of one year. The officers shall have the following duties.

A. The chairman shall call and preside at all meetings of the council,

B. The vice-chairman shall call and preside at all meetings of the council in the chairman's absence.

The director, or his designee, shall serve as secretary of the

council and shall cause records to be taken and to be presented at all meetings of the council.

3. Quorum. A quorum shall be a majority of the current members of the council. An affirmative vote of a majority of the members present at a meeting or polled shall be required for any action. No action may be considered unless a quorum is present or if there is no meeting. A quorum responds to a written poll.'

Statement of Fact

This amendment provides for a State Lottery Advisory Council in lieu of the Lottery Commission.

The bill, as amended by this amendment, would result in cost savings in the expenses of the former commission, which in the bill becomes an advisory council. Based upon the statutory limitation of expenses and the number of commissioners as provided in \leftarrow \rightarrow Title 8, section 351, and the maximum allowed for fewer commissioners by this amendment, there are potential cost savings of \$15,500.

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