

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk
Presented by Representative SCARPINO of St. George.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SEVEN

1 AN ACT Relating to the Maine State Lottery
2 and the Tri-state Lottery.
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4 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
5 follows:

6 Sec. 1. 8 MRSA §366, sub-§1, ¶C, as enacted by
7 PL 1973, c. 570, §1, is amended to read:

8 C. For payment to the General-Fund special fund
9 established in section 368.

10 Sec. 2. 8 MRSA §366, sub-§2, as enacted by PL
11 1975, c. 394, §7, is amended to read:

12 2. Apportionment. The moneys money in said the
13 State Lottery Fund shall be apportioned so that not
14 less than 45% of the total ticket sales received in

1 the lottery will be disbursed as prizes to holders of
2 winning tickets. All other moneys money, less reason-
3 able costs for the proper administration of the State
4 Lottery, will be ~~the state's share~~ credited to the
5 special fund established in section 368.

6 Sec. 3. 8 MRSA §368 is enacted to read:

7 §368. Special fund

8 1. Establishment of fund. All money and interest
9 on the money in the State Lottery Fund which is
10 not disbursed as prizes and not expended in the ad-
11 ministration or operation of the lottery and all
12 state revenues from the Tri-state Lotto received in
13 accordance with the Tri-state Lotto Compact, chapter
14 16, except those revenues used for the administration
15 of the Tri-state Lotto, shall be deposited in a spe-
16 cial fund.

17 2. Use. All money in the fund shall be continu-
18 ally allocated for the sole purpose of funding state
19 aid to education pursuant to Title 20-A, section
20 15620.

21 Sec. 4. 20-A MRSA §15620 is enacted to read:

22 §15620. Funding from lottery money sources

23 Money from the special fund established pursuant
24 to Title 8, section 368, shall be divided among the
25 school administrative units in the State in accord-
26 ance with a distribution formula promulgated by rule
27 of the commissioner. The formula shall establish the
28 amount to be received by each school administrative
29 unit in such a manner as to ensure that the larger
30 the percentage of total school expenses paid as the
31 local share of education costs by the municipalities
32 within the school administrative unit, the larger the
33 amount of money received under this section.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

2 This bill parallels the New Hampshire provision
3 which earmarks excess revenues from lottery and
4 Tri-state Lotto funds for state aid to education.

5 The money from the special fund shall be distrib-
6 uted according to a formula so that those school ad-
7 ministrative units paying a higher percentage of edu-
8 cation costs shall receive the most money from the
9 fund.

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