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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " A " to S.P. 922, L.D. 2413,  
Bill, "AN ACT Relating to Games of Chance."

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Amend the bill by inserting after the enacting  
clause the following:

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'Sec. 1. 17 MRSA §314-A, sub-§7, as amended by  
PL 1987, c. 547, §2, is further amended to read:

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7. Payment for services. Except as provided in  
paragraph A, an organization licensed under this  
section may pay the persons operating the high-stakes  
beano games for the organization no more than 200% of  
the minimum wage as established by Title 26, chapter  
7, subchapter III. The persons need not be members of  
an organization licensed under this section.

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A. An organization licensed under this section  
may contract for provision of professional legal,  
advertising, accounting and auditing services.  
The persons employed under a contract entered into  
under this paragraph may receive reasonable  
professional fees at a rate higher than minimum  
wage.'

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Further amend the bill by inserting at the  
beginning of the first line after the enacting clause  
the following: 'Sec. 2.'

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " A " to H.P. 1761, L.D. 2413

1 Further amend the bill in subsection 3 in the 5th  
2 line (page 2, line 23 in L.D.) by inserting after the  
3 underlined word "section" the following: 'and section  
4 312'

5 STATEMENT OF FACT

6 This amendment makes 2 changes to the bill  
7 governing games of chance.

8 First, this amendment raises the maximum that  
9 workers at the high-stakes beano games may be paid.  
10 Current law limits the pay at minimum wage, which is  
11 causing the organizations many problems in finding and  
12 retaining skilled employees to help run the beano  
13 games. This amendment allows the employees to be paid  
14 up to twice the minimum wage.

15 Second, this amendment clarifies that even though  
16 beano and bingo games may not be played before 12 noon  
17 on Sundays, Lucky seven and sealed tickets may be  
18 played before 12 noon on Sundays. This would  
19 otherwise be a problem for sealed tickets and Lucky  
20 seven games played the 2 hours before beano games  
21 which are held at 1 p.m. on Sundays.

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