

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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House of Representatives, April 13, 1989

Reference to the Committee on Human Resources suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ed Pert".

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative MELENDY of Rockland.

Cosponsored by Representative COTE of Auburn and Representative DELLERT of Gardiner.

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STATE OF MAINE

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

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**An Act to Promote Clean Air in Beano Halls.**

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1 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

3 17 MRSA §314-C is enacted to read:

5 §314-C. Smoking restricted

7 The Chief of the State Police shall not issue a license to  
9 operate a beano or bingo game unless:

11 1. Smoking prohibited. Smoking tobacco is not permitted in  
any area of the beano or bingo hall;

13 2. Designated smoking area. A completely partitioned area  
15 designated as a smoking area that allows for visibility of the  
beano board is established in a location designed to minimize the  
17 effects of environmental smoke on the public; or

19 3. Exhaust fans. The beano or bingo hall is equipped with  
21 exhaust fans that render the quality of air in the hall  
acceptable under standards adopted by the Bureau of Public  
Improvements.

23 For purposes of this section, "smoking" means carrying or  
25 having in one's possession a lighted cigarette, cigar, pipe or  
other object emitting, or containing any substance emitting,  
27 tobacco smoke.

29 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

31 This bill imposes restrictions on smoking in beano or bingo  
33 halls. In order to receive licensing, the operators of bingo or  
35 beano games must prohibit smoking, designate a partitioned  
smoking area or have exhaust fans adequate to ensure air quality.