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Reference to the Committee on Legal Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

Joy J. O'Brien

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator ERWIN of Oxford.

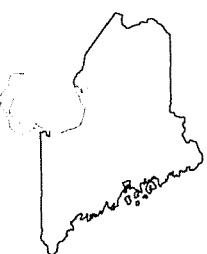
Cosponsored by Representative ERWIN of Rumford, Senator CLARK of Cumberland and Representative JACQUES of Waterville.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY

An Act Concerning the Use of Funds Raised by Organizations Operating Games of Chance or Beano.

(EMERGENCY)
(AFTER DEADLINE)



Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not
2 become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted
as emergencies; and

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Whereas, unless this legislation is enacted as an emergency
6 measure, persons who are members, auxiliary members, officers or
employees of organizations operating games of chance or beano who
8 are in grave need of financial assistance due to serious illness
or injury or casualty loss must be denied such assistance by
10 those organizations; and

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Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts
create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of
14 Maine and require the following legislation as immediately
necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and
16 safety; now, therefore,

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

20 Sec. 1. 17 MRSA §326 is enacted to read:

22 §326. Proceeds

24 1. Remuneration for illness, injury or loss. An
organization licensed to operate "beano" or "bingo" games may pay
26 the proceeds or part of the proceeds from games to a member,
auxiliary member, officer or employee of the organization as
28 remuneration for a serious illness or injury or casualty loss if
the organization makes an application pursuant to this section
30 and the application is approved by the State Police, Licensing
Division.

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2. Application. An application must be made in such form
34 and contain such information as the licensing division requires.

36 A. In the case of serious illness or injury, the licensing
division may require certification by a licensed physician
38 setting out the facts in support of the application.

40 B. In the case of a casualty loss, the licensing division
may require statements or reports from a law enforcement
42 agency, rescue or other emergency services personnel or an
insurance agency to support the application.

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46 C. The licensing division may deny an application if it
appears that the person who would receive the proceeds has
48 other adequate means of financial support, including, but
not limited to, insurance or workers' compensation benefits.

50 3. Rules. The Chief of the State Police shall adopt rules
in accordance with the Maine Administrative Procedure Act to
52 carry out this section.

2 cases of serious illness or injury or casualty loss. Such an
organization is required to make an application to the State
Police, Licensing Division.
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