

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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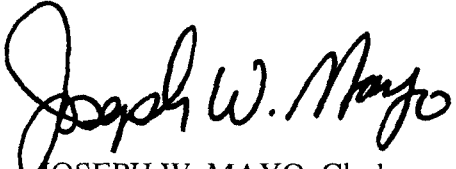
H.P. 779

House of Representatives, February 9, 1999

### **An Act to Remove the Limitation on Nonprofit Organizations Holding Games of Chance.**

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

  
JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative CAMERON of Rumford.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: COWGER of Hallowell, MATTHEWS of Winslow,  
MURPHY of Berwick, RICHARD of Madison, WESTON of Montville.

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

Sec. 1. 17 MRSA §332, sub-§4, ¶B, as repealed and replaced by PL 1987, c. 314, §2, is amended to read:

B. No other licensee may operate a game of chance on premises to which the general public has access. In any room where a licensed game of chance is being conducted, there shall must be at least one member of the licensee present in that room for every 2 nonmembers who are present. That member shall must have been a member of the licensee for at least one year. No A member of the licensee, either directly or through another member or guest, may not stake or risk something of value in the licensee's game of chance unless the member has been a member, as defined in section 330, subsection 3-B, of the licensee for at least 14 days not including the day of admission into membership.

A bona fide nonprofit organization may operate a licensed game of chance, to which the general public has access, ~~once every 6 months for a period not to exceed 3 consecutive days~~. The licensed game of chance may be operated at any location described in the license and shall may be conducted only by members of the licensee.

#### SUMMARY

Current law allows nonprofit organizations to conduct games of chance once every 6 months for a maximum of 3 consecutive days. This bill removes that restriction.