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L.D. 578

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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
121ST LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION**

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 441, L.D. 578, Bill, "An Act To Increase the Sale of Lottery Tickets To Benefit Conservation and Wildlife"

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Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting in its place the following:

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'Sec. 1. 8 MRSA §374, sub-§5, as amended by PL 2003, c. 414, Pt. B, §17 and affected by Pt. D, §7, is further amended to read:

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5. Wildlife lottery game. No later than January 30, 1996, the commission, in consultation with the Maine Outdoor Heritage Fund Board, shall develop and initiate a wildlife lottery game designed to raise funds for the Maine Outdoor Heritage Fund established pursuant to Title 12, chapter 903, subchapter 6. The sales commission paid to agents for the sale of wildlife lottery game tickets must be one percentage point higher than the sales commission paid to agents for the sale of other instant lottery game tickets. The commission shall provide the net proceeds of this wildlife lottery game to the Maine Outdoor Heritage Fund annually. The commission shall change the wildlife game ticket periodically throughout the year.'

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SUMMARY

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This amendment replaces the bill and is the majority report. The amendment increases the sales commission paid to agents for the sale of wildlife lottery tickets so that it is one percentage point higher than the sales commission paid to agents for the sale of other instant tickets.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

121st Maine Legislature
Office of Fiscal and Program Review



LD 578

**An Act To Increase the Sale of Lottery Tickets To Benefit Conservation
and Wildlife**

LR0945(02)

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "

Committee: Legal and Veterans Affairs

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Majority Report

Fiscal Note

Current biennium revenue decrease - Other Special Revenue Funds

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Based on the total commissions paid to agents for the sale of wildlife lottery tickets in recent years, the increase in commission fees will result in an estimated net loss of annual revenues to the Maine Outdoor Heritage Fund ranging from \$30,000 to \$60,000 beginning in fiscal year 2004-05.