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**An Act To Allow Nonprofit Organizations To Operate Certain
Games of Chance without a License**

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator DIAMOND of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative CEBRA of Naples and Senator: HASTINGS of Oxford.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 17 MRSA §331, sub-§10** is enacted to read:

3 **10. Certain games operated by nonprofits.** Notwithstanding subsection 1, a
4 license to hold, conduct or operate a game of chance is not required of a bona fide
5 nonprofit charitable, educational, political, civic, recreational, fraternal, patriotic or
6 religious organization or an auxiliary of any of these organizations if all of the prizes
7 awarded in that game of chance are nonmonetary with a value of under \$10 and a chance
8 costs \$1 or less.

9 **SUMMARY**

10 This bill provides that a license to hold, conduct or operate a game of chance is not
11 required of a bona fide nonprofit charitable, educational, political, civic, recreational,
12 fraternal, patriotic or religious organization or an auxiliary of any of these organizations if
13 all of the prizes awarded in that game of chance are nonmonetary with a value of under
14 \$10 and a chance costs \$1 or less.