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1	L.D. 2236
2	Date: 4/8/8 Majority (Filing No. H-961)
3	LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS
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5	STATE OF MAINE
6	HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
7	123RD LEGISLATURE
8	FIRST SPECIAL SESSION
9	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1597, L.D. 2236, Bill, "An Act To
10	Clarify the Laws on Licensing for Charitable and Fraternal Organizations and Games of
11	Chance"
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12 13	Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting the following:
14	'Sec. 1. 17 MRSA §332, sub-§1-A is enacted to read:
15	1-A. Local chapters of statewide organizations. The Chief of the State Police may
16	issue a license to operate a game of chance to a local chapter of a statewide nonprofit
17	organization if that statewide nonprofit organization is eligible for a license in accordance
18 19	with subsection 1, as long as the statewide nonprofit organization has filed a copy of its bylaws and a list of all the local chapters of the organization with the Chief of the State
20	Police. To be eligible for a game of chance license, a local chapter of a statewide
21	nonprofit organization shall provide to the Chief of the State Police, no later than 60 days
22	prior to conducting a game of chance, the name of the statewide nonprofit organization,
23	the name of the local chapter and a list of the local chapter's officers. Within 5 days of
24	conducting a game of chance in accordance with this subsection, the local chapter shall
25 26	provide the Chief of the State Police with a list of the members of the local chapter that
26	will be conducting the game of chance.
27	Sec. 2. Authority to submit legislation. The joint standing committee of the
28 29	Legislature having jurisdiction over games of chance matters is authorized to submit legislation to the First Regular Session of the 124th Legislature that clarifies the existing
30	laws governing games of chance. The legislation must include a proposal for the
31	reorganization of the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 17, chapter 14 that simplifies existing
32	laws regarding the licensing process and the regulatory structure governing the operation
33	of games of chance.'

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SUMMARY

This amendment replaces the bill and is the majority report of the committee. In the amendment, a statewide nonprofit organization must provide a copy of its bylaws and a list of all local chapters of the organization in order for the local chapter to be eligible for a game of chance license. The local chapter must provide the name of the statewide nonprofit organization, the name of the local chapter and a list of the local chapter's officers. Finally, the local chapter must provide a list of the members of the local chapter conducting the game of chance. The amendment also authorizes the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over games of chance matters to submit legislation to clarify the laws governing games of chance.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED (See attached)

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An Act To Clarify the Laws on Licensing for Charitable and Fraternal Organizations and Games of Chance

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A"
Committee: Legal and Veterans Affairs
Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Additional costs to the Department of Public Safety can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.