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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

124TH LEGISLATURE

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "H" to H.P. 158, L.D. 193, Bill, "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Tournament Games"

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 1 (page 1, lines 2 to 13 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. 17 MRSA §333-A, sub-§3, as amended by PL 2007, c. 610, §1, is further amended to read:

3. License. The license fee for a tournament game license is \$200 per tournament. as follows:

A. Two hundred dollars for tournaments with up to 100 players;

B. Three hundred dollars for tournaments with 101 to 150 players;

C. Four hundred dollars for tournaments with 151 to 200 players;

D. Five hundred dollars for tournaments with 201 to 250 players; and

E. Six hundred dollars for tournaments with 251 to 300 players.

Sec. 2. 17 MRSA §333-A, sub-§4, as amended by PL 2007, c. 610, §2, is further amended to read:

4. Tournament. The organization licensed to conduct a tournament game under this section shall display the rules of the game and the license issued to conduct the tournament. The maximum number of players allowed is 100 <u>unless the tournament is held on premises owned by the licensee, in which case the maximum number of players allowed is 300</u>. Winners are determined by a process of elimination. The use of currency is prohibited as part of tournament play. The maximum entry fee to play in the tournament is \$100, except the organization may add to the player entry fee to defray the cost of the license fee, as long as the total additional amount collected from all players does not exceed \$200. Only one entry fee is permitted per person. A tournament must be completed within 48 hours. Other games of chance are prohibited, except for lucky seven or similar sealed tickets.'

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " " to H.P. 158, L.D. 193

Amend the bill by inserting after section 2 the following:

'Sec. 3. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

4 **PUBLIC SAFETY, DEPARTMENT OF**

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Licensing and Enforcement - Public Safety 0712

Initiative: Provides funds for one Inspector position and related costs for inspecting tournaments with over 100 players.

8	GENERAL FUND	2009-10	2010-11
9	POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	1.000	1.000
10	Personal Services	\$58,904	\$62,132
11	All Other	\$2,720	\$2,720
12	Capital Expenditures	\$19,500	\$0
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14	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$81,124	\$64,852
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Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

SUMMARY

This amendment strikes the provision of the bill that permitted an unlimited number of players to participate in a tournament game as long as that number was within the allowable maximum occupancy for that venue. The amendment provides that tournament games conducted on premises owned by the licensee may have up to 300 players. The amendment also provides for a graduated tournament game license fee based on the number of players to take part in the tournament. The amendment also adds an appropriations and allocations section.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)

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An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Tournament Games

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

Fisca	al	N	ote

	2009-10	2010-11	Projections 2011-12	Projections 2012-13
Net Cost (Savings) General Fund	\$81,124	\$64,852	\$66,765	\$68,738
Appropriations/Allocations General Fund	\$81,124	\$64,852	\$66,765	\$68,738
Revenue Other Special Revenue Funds	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes a General Fund appropriation of \$81,124 in fiscal year 2009-10 and \$64,852 in fiscal year 2010-11 to the Department of Public Safety for an inspector position and related costs to inspect tournament games. \$19,500 of the fiscal year 2009-10 appropriation is a one-time cost for a vehicle. This cost is based upon the assumption that many organizations will take advantage of the increased number of players allowed at tournament games. It is estimated that the license fee changes will result in additional Other Special Revenue Funds revenue of \$10,000 beginning in fiscal year 2009-10.