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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
127TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 878, L.D. 1292, Bill, "An Act To Allow for Super Cribbage Tournaments"

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 1 and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. 17 MRSA §1836, sub-§4-A is enacted to read:

4-A. Exception for super cribbage tournament. Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, the Chief of the State Police may issue up to 3 licenses per year for the conduct of a super cribbage tournament. For the purposes of this subsection, "cribbage" means a card game that uses a board and pegs to keep score and of which the characteristic feature is a crib into which players discard cards from their dealt hand to create a crib of 4 cards unseen by other players that will be ultimately part of the dealer's hand. The license fee for a super cribbage tournament is \$75. A super cribbage tournament must be conducted in the same manner as prescribed for a tournament game by this section except as follows.

A. The super cribbage tournament may be conducted by a nationally chartered organization that organizes tournament-style cribbage games and that is exempt from taxation under the United States Internal Revenue Code, Section 501(c)(3) so long as the principal organizer has been a member of that organization for a period of not less than 3 years.

B. The minimum number of players required is 50.

C. The maximum entry fee allowed is \$100 per player.

D. The super cribbage tournament need not be held on premises owned by the licensee.

E. The super cribbage tournament may be conducted over a period of up to 72 hours.

F. Notwithstanding subsection 2, 50% of the proceeds of the super cribbage tournament after prizes are paid must be paid to a bona fide charitable organization, other than the licensee, listed on the tournament application submitted to the Chief of the State Police.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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1 This subsection is repealed September 30, 2017.'

2 **SUMMARY**

3 This amendment imposes a \$75 license fee on super cribbage tournaments and
4 requires that 50% of proceeds from the tournament be paid to a charitable organization.
5 The amendment also reduces the minimum number of players required to hold a
6 tournament from 75 to 50 and sets a maximum entry fee of \$100. Finally, the amendment
7 provides that this license provision is repealed September 30, 2017.

8 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

9 (See attached)



Approved: 05/30/15 *mac*

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LD 1292

LR 1272(02)

An Act To Allow for Super Cribbage Tournaments

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment

Committee: Veterans and Legal Affairs

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

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Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - Other Special Revenue Funds
Minor revenue increase - Other Special Revenue Funds

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill allows the Department of Public Safety (DPS) to issue up to 3 licenses per year for \$75 each to conduct super cribbage tournaments until the September 30, 2017 repeal date. Any additional costs or revenue to the DPS are expected to be minor.