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STATE OF MAINE

SENATE

131ST LEGISLATURE

### SECOND REGULAR SESSION

SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1275, L.D. 1992, "An Act to Legalize Historical Horse Racing and Electronic Beano to Allow Maine Gaming Licensees and Federally Recognized Indian Tribes to Compete with Other Gaming States"

Amend the amendment by inserting after section 10 the following:

'Sec. 11. Statutory referendum procedure; submission at election; form of question; effective date. This Act must be submitted to the legal voters of the State at a statewide election held in the month of November following passage of this Act. The municipal officers of this State shall notify the inhabitants of their respective cities, towns and plantations to meet, in the manner prescribed by law for holding a statewide election, to vote on the acceptance or rejection of this Act by voting on the following question:

"Do you favor allowing federally recognized Indian tribes within the State, commercial tracks licensed for harness racing in the State and off-track betting facilities licensed in the State to operate historical horse racing terminals, pursuant to a license from the Gambling Control Unit within the Department of Public Safety, and allowing federally recognized Indian tribes within the State to operate electronic beano terminals pursuant to a license from the Gambling Control Unit within the Department of Public Safety?"

The legal voters of each city, town and plantation shall vote by ballot on this question and designate their choice by a cross or check mark placed within a corresponding square below the word "Yes" or "No." The ballots must be received, sorted, counted and declared in open ward, town and plantation meetings and returns made to the Secretary of State in the same manner as votes for members of the Legislature. The Governor shall review the returns. If a majority of the legal votes are cast in favor of this Act, the Governor shall proclaim the result without delay and this Act becomes effective 30 days after the date of the proclamation.

The Secretary of State shall prepare and furnish to each city, town and plantation all ballots, returns and copies of this Act necessary to carry out the purposes of this referendum.'

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ROS	1 2	Amend the amendment by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.
	3	SUMMARY
	4	This amendment makes the provisions of the legislation contingent upon approval by
	5	the voters at referendum.
	6	SPONSORED BY:
	7	(Senator BALDACCI, J.)
	8	COUNTY: Penobscot

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)

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# **SENATE AMENDMENT**



## 131st MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1992

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An Act to Legalize Historical Horse Racing and Electronic Beano to Allow Maine Gaming Licensees and Federally Recognized Indian Tribes to Compete with Other Gaming States

Fiscal Note for Senate Amendment "A" to Committee Amendment "A" (\$7/|)

Sponsor: Sen. Baldacci of Penobscot

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

### **Fiscal Note**

Current biennium cost increase - General Fund Contingent future biennium revenue increase - Other Special Revenue Funds

Referendum Costs	Month/Year	Election Type	Question	Length
	Nov-24	General	Referendum	Standard

The Secretary of State's budget includes sufficient funds to accommodate one ballot of average length for the general election in November. If the number or size of the referendum questions requires production and delivery of a second ballot, an additional appropriation of \$266,000 may be required.

#### Fiscal Detail and Notes

This amendment will make the provisions of this bill contingent upon approval by the voters at a referendum. Any potential Other Special Revenue Funds revenue will be delayed until fiscal year 2025-2026, contingent upon the referendum results.