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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Jalbert of Lewiston.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-NINE

AN ACT Relating to Certain Acts Constituting Lotteries.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 139, § 18, amended. The first sentence of section 18 of chapter 139 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

'Every lottery, policy, policy lottery, policy shop, scheme or device of chance, of whatever name or description, whether at fairs or public gatherings or elsewhere, and whether in the interests of churches, benevolent objects or otherwise, is prohibited; ~~and whoever.~~ **Whoever** is concerned therein, directly or indirectly, by making, writing, printing, advertising, purchasing, receiving, selling, offering for sale ~~giving away, disposing of or having in possession with intent to sell or dispose of,~~ any ticket, certificate, share or interest therein, slip, bill, token or other device purporting or designed to guarantee or assure to any person or to entitle any person to a chance of drawing or obtaining any prize or thing of value to be drawn in any lottery, policy, policy lottery, policy shop, scheme or device of chance of whatever name or description; by printing, publishing or circulating the same, or any handbill, advertisement or notice thereof, or by knowingly suffering the same to be published in any newspaper or periodical under his charge or on any cover or paper attached thereto; or who in any manner aids therein or is connected therewith, shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$10 nor more than \$1,000, to be recovered by complaint or indictment to the use of the county, and he may further be punished by imprisonment for 30 days on the first conviction, 60 days on the 2nd conviction and 90 days on the 3rd conviction.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 139, § 18, amended. The last sentence of section 18 of chapter 139 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

'The printing, advertising, issuing or delivery of any ticket, paper, document or material representing or purporting to represent the existence of, or an interest in a lottery, policy lottery, game or hazard shall be prima facie evidence of the existence, location and drawing of such lottery, policy lottery, game or hazard ~~and the issuing or delivery of any such paper, ticket, document or material shall be prima facie evidence of value received therefor by the person or persons, company or corporation who issues or delivers or knowingly aids or abets in the issuing or delivering of such paper, ticket, document or material.~~