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temporary or conditional license have been met and satisfactory evidence of this fact has been furnished to said department.

Sec. 2. 22 MRSA § 3797, sub-§ 2, 3rd ¶, as enacted by PL 1965, c. 401, § 2, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

The term "day care facilities" means, for purposes of this chapter, a house or other place in which a person or combination of persons conducts, maintains, or otherwise carries out a regular program for consideration for any part of a day providing care and protection of children under 16 years of age. The term includes nursery schools, so called, and similar facilities, but does not include any facility operated as a formal public or private school in the nature of a kindergarten, or elementary or secondary school approved by the Commissioner of Educational and Cultural Services in accordance with Title 20, section 911.

Effective October 1, 1975

CHAPTER 305

AN ACT to Increase the Fine for Molesting Traps.

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

12 MRSA § 2404 is enacted to read:

§ 2404. Molesting traps

Whoever disturbs any trap or takes any fur-bearing animal from any trap other than his own without the consent of the owner of such trap in violation of the prohibition of the last paragraph of section 2451 shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$200 nor more than \$500.

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CHAPTER 306

AN ACT Prohibiting the Shooting of Hunting or Sporting Dogs.

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

12 MRSA § 2953-A, as last amended by PL 1971, c. 85, § 28, is further amended to read:

§ 2953-A. Shooting domestic animals, dogs or birds; penalty

Whoever while on a hunting trip or in the pursuit of wild game or game birds, negligently or earelessly or willfully shoots and wounds, or kills any domestic animals or birds or dogs shall be subject to the penalties provided in section 3060 punished by a fine of not less than \$200 nor more than \$1,000, which fine shall not be suspended, or by imprisonment for not more than 90 days, or by both. The commissioner, upon receiving a written note of the final

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disposition, shall revoke or suspend the current license or the right to hunt or the right to obtain a hunting license for a period of not less than one year after such final disposition. Nothing in this section shall interfere with a duly authorized officer in the performance of his duties.

Effective October 1, 1975

CHAPTER 307

AN ACT Relating to the Games of "Beano" and "Bingo."

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

Sec. 1. 17 MRSA c. 13, as amended, is repealed.

Sec. 2. 17 MRSA c. 13-A is enacted to read :

CHAPTER 13-A

BEANO OR BINGO

§ 311. Definitions

As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following words shall have the following meanings.

1. Beano. "Beano" shall mean a specific kind of group game of chance. Wherever the term "Beano" is used, the word "Bingo" may be interchanged. In "Beano," each participant is given or sold one or more tally cards, so called, each of which has 25 squares which are divided into 5 rows, making 5 squares to a row both horizontally and vertically. Each square is numbered, making 5 numbers in a row, the exception being the center, or 3rd vertical row, which has 4 numbers and a center space. The participant covers numbers as objects similarly numbered are drawn from a receptacle, and the game is won by the person who first covers a previously designated arrangement of numbers on the tally card.

2. Equipment. "Equipment" shall mean the receptacle and numbered objects to be drawn from it; the master board upon which such objects are placed as drawn; the tally cards or sheets bearing such numbers to be covered and the objects used to cover them; the boards or signs, however operated, used to display the numbers as they are drawn; public address systems; and any other articles essential to the operation, conduct and playing of "Beano."

3. License. "License" shall mean that written authority from the Chief of the State Police to hold, conduct or operate the amusement commonly known as "Beano" for the entertainment of the public within the State of Maine. A location permit must accompany the license to be valid.

4. Licensee. "Licensee" shall mean any organization which has been granted a license by the Chief of the State Police to hold, conduct or operate "Beano" or "Bingo."