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Sec. 2. 17 MRSA § 332, sub-§ 3, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 350, § 4, is amended to read:

3. Schemes prohibited. No license shall be issued for the conduct or operation of any **machine**, slot machine or roulette, or for the operation of any games commonly known as policy or numbers.

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CHAPTER 272

H. P. 508 — L. D. 625

AN ACT to Amend the Laws Relating to Beano or Bingo.

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

17 MRSA § 311, sub-§ 1, as enacted by PL 1975, c. 307, § 2, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

1. Beano. “Beano” shall mean a specific kind of group game of chance, regardless of whether such a game is characterized by another name. Wherever the term “beano” is used, the word “bingo” or any other word used to characterize such a game may be interchanged. In “beano,” each participant is given or sold one or more tally cards, so-called, each of which contains numbers or letters and may or may not be arranged in vertical or horizontal rows. The participant covers the numbers or letters as objects similarly numbered or lettered are drawn from a receptacle, and the game is won by the person who first covers a previously designated arrangement of numbers or letters on the tally card.

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CHAPTER 273

H. P. 1036 — L. D. 1273

AN ACT to Amend the Burden of Proof Placed on the Bureau of Taxation in an Appeals Proceeding.

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

Sec. 1. 36 MRSA § 292, 2nd ¶, last sentence, as repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 765, § 4, is amended to read:

A copy of the appeal and affidavit shall be served on the Bureau of Taxation ~~and the bureau shall have the burden of proving that its determination is correct with respect to that municipality.~~

Sec. 2. 36 MRSA § 292, 3rd ¶, last sentence, as repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 765, § 4, is repealed as follows:

~~The board, after hearing, shall have the power to:~~

Sec. 3. 36 MRSA § 292, as last amended by PL 1977, c. 694, § 677, is further amended by adding after the 3rd paragraph, 3 new paragraphs to read:

The Bureau of Taxation shall have the burden of showing that its determination is reasonable and the municipality's claims are unreasonable.

The board shall sustain the determination of the Bureau of Taxation only upon a finding that the bureau's determination is reasonable and the claims of the municipality are unreasonable. If the board does not sustain the bureau's determination, it shall make its own reasonable determination giving due weight to the claims of the municipality and the Bureau of Taxation.

The board, after hearing, shall have the power to:

Effective September 14, 1979

CHAPTER 274

S. P. 373 — L. D. 1153

AN ACT to Amend the Uniform Criminal Extradition Act and the Uniform Interstate Compact on Juveniles.

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

Sec. 1. 15 MRSA § 201, sub-§ 5-A is enacted to read:

5-A. Judicial officer. "Judicial officer" shall mean a justice, judge, justice of the peace, clerk of courts or other neutral person empowered by the laws of the demanding state to issue criminal process.

Sec. 1-A. 15 MRSA § 202, as amended by PL 1977, c. 671, § 4, is further amended to read: