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Title 1, chapter 13. Records of the board are confidential, are not public records for the purposes of the laws governing freedom of access, Title 1, chapter 13 and are not subject to subpoena, discovery or introduction into evidence in a civil or criminal action. The board shall disclose conclusions and recommendations of the board upon request in a manner that does not identify the parties, victims or witnesses. The board and members of the board may not disclose information, records or data that are otherwise classified as confidential.

7. Unlawful dissemination. A member of the board is guilty of unlawful dissemination if the member of the board knowingly disseminates records or information from those records that is confidential pertaining to a homicide, suicide or aggravated assault subject to review by the board. Unlawful dissemination is a Class E crime, punishable by a fine of not more than \$500 or by imprisonment of not more than 30 days.

8. Report. The board shall submit a report on the board's activities, conclusions and recommendations to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters by January 30, 2009 and biennially thereafter. The committee shall review the report in a public meeting at which members of the public are provided an opportunity to address the committee.

Sec. 3. Staggered terms. Notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 34-B, section 1931, subsection 2, 2 of the members initially appointed by the Governor to the Mental Health Homicide, Suicide and Aggravated Assault Review Board must be appointed for one-year terms.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 610 S.P. 849 - L.D. 2206

An Act To Amend the Tournament Games Laws

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

Sec. 1. 17 MRSA §333-A, sub-§3, as enacted by PL 2007, c. 205, §1, is amended to read:

3. License. The license fee for a tournament game license is $\frac{55}{200}$ per tournament player.

Sec. 2. 17 MRSA §333-A, sub-§4, as enacted by PL 2007, c. 205, §1, is amended to read:

4. Tournament. The organization licensed to conduct a tournament game under this section shall display the rules of the game and the license issued to conduct the tournament. The maximum number of

players allowed is 100. Winners are determined by a process of elimination. The use of currency is prohibited as part of tournament play. The maximum entry fee to play in the tournament is \$100, except the organization may add \$5 to the <u>player</u> entry fee to defray the cost of the license application fee, as long as the total additional amount collected from all players does not exceed \$200. Only one entry fee is permitted per person. A tournament must be completed within 48 hours. Other games of chance are prohibited, except for lucky seven or similar sealed tickets.

Sec. 3. 17 MRSA §333-A, sub-§5, as enacted by PL 2007, c. 205, §1, is amended to read:

5. Proceeds. Seventy-five percent of the entry fees under subsection 4 must be paid as prizes to the winners of the tournament. Of the money remaining after the payment of prizes, 75% must be distributed to the charitable organization or organizations listed on the license application pursuant to this section.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 611

H.P. 1554 - L.D. 2184

An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Commission To Study the Promotion, Expansion and Regulation of the Harness Racing Industry

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

Sec. 1. 4 MRSA §807, sub-§3, ¶N, as amended by PL 2007, c. 249, §5, is further amended to read:

N. A person who is not an attorney, but is representing the State under section 807-A; or

Sec. 2. 4 MRSA **§807**, **sub-§3**, **¶O**, as amended by PL 2007, c. 58, §3 and enacted by c. 249, §6, is further amended to read:

O. A person who is not an attorney, but who is representing a party in any hearing, action or proceeding before the Maine Public Employees Retirement System: or

Sec. 3. 4 MRSA §807, sub-§3, ¶P is enacted to read:

P. A person who is not an attorney but who, as the executive director of the State Harness Racing Commission, is representing the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources at adjudicatory hearings before the commission in accordance with Title 8, section 263-C.