

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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THE MICHIE COMPANY  
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA  
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### Budget Planning Business.

**Sec. 51. Budget planning business prohibited.**—No person, firm, association or corporation shall engage in the business of budget planning. The provisions of sections 51 to 53, inclusive, shall not apply to those admitted to the practice of law. (1955, c. 408.)

**Sec. 52. Definition.**—“Budget planning” means the making of a contract with a particular debtor, whereby the debtor agrees to pay a certain amount periodically to the person engaged in the budget planning, who shall distribute the same among certain specified creditors in accordance with a plan agreed upon. (1955, c. 408.)

**Sec. 53. Penalty.**—Whoever, either individually or as the officer or employee of any person, corporation or association, violates any of the provisions of section 51 shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$500, or by imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or by both such fine and imprisonment. (1955, c. 408.)

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## Chapter 138.

### Crimes against Marital or Family Status and Children.

#### Crimes against Children.

**Sec. 13-A. Aiding in delinquency of child under 17 years.**—Any person who shall be found to have caused, induced, abetted, encouraged or contributed toward the waywardness or delinquency of a child under the age of 17, or to have acted in any way tending to cause or induce such waywardness or delinquency, shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$500, or by imprisonment for not more than 11 months, or by both such fine and imprisonment. (1955, c. 414, § 1.)

**Sec. 14. Violation of §§ 9, 12 and 13-A.**—In order to find any person guilty of violating the provisions of sections 9, 12 and 13-A, it shall not be necessary to prove that the child is actually in delinquency or distress, provided it appears from the evidence that through any act or neglect or omission of duty or by any improper act or conduct on the part of the accused the distress or delinquency of any child may have been caused or merely encouraged. (R. S. c. 125, § 13. 1955, c. 414, § 2.)

**Effect of amendment.**—The 1955 amendment added § 13-A to the sections referred to.

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## Chapter 139.

### Gambling. Bucket Shops. Lotteries. Beano.

Section 28. Audience Participation.

#### Audience Participation.

**Sec. 28. Audience participation in radio or television amusements or games.**—Nothing contained in this chapter shall apply to or prohibit the conducting or operating over television or radio with audience participation of any amusement, game or program, whether or not the same involves the awarding of prizes or the element of chance, provided the participants pay no consideration in cash or other property directly or indirectly for the privilege of participating therein. (1955, c. 16.)