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LD 1846 An Act To Allow for a Variance Rate in the Amount and Potency of Cannabinoids in Adult Use Edible Marijuana Products

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2021, chapter 558 allows for a variance in the amount and potency of tetrahydrocannabinol, or THC, and other cannabinoids in edible marijuana products under the Marijuana Legalization Act.

LD 1852 Resolve, Authorizing the Maine National Guard To Sell Certain Property in Hallowell

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Resolve 2021, chapter 136 authorizes the Maine National Guard to sell to the City of Hallowell a parcel of land located off of Granite Hill Road in Hallowell.

LD 1883 An Act To Update the Setoffs against Lottery Winnings

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2021, chapter 543 amends the laws governing the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages and Lottery Operations' processes for determining setoffs against lottery winnings for unpaid court fines imposed by state courts; liquidated child support debt due to the Department of Health and Human Services; liquidated unemployment compensation debt; and liquidated tax liabilities to the state in the following ways.

1. It provides that the processes for determining setoffs against lottery winnings apply only if the amount of lottery winnings is large enough that it must be reported to the United States Internal Revenue Service for federal income tax withholding purposes.
2. It requires the relevant agencies to provide the bureau access to an electronic database containing information on these financial liabilities rather than periodically providing the bureau with lists of this information.
3. It allows the bureau to immediately pay a lottery winner the amount of winnings that exceed the amount of the liability set forth in an agency's electronic database of outstanding liabilities, rather than waiting up to 90 days to receive confirmation that the winner either did not request a hearing on the amount of the liability or that a hearing has been completed and the amount of the liability upheld.