

Bill Draft Requests
Submitted by
Representative Loring

The following Bill Draft Requests have been submitted:

Title: "An Act to Eliminate the Fee to Operate Super Bingo"

Information:

This Act would eliminate the \$50,000 fee to the State.

Reasoning behind this is that we are losing an increasing market share of our players to the Hollywood Slot operation in Bangor.

The Super Bingo game provides a huge portion of our government operational funding.

Title: "An Act to Authorize the Operation of Slot Machines on Indian Island in Old Town"

Information:

Amend the law that limits the number of slot machines in the State to 1500 to include an exception for 400 slot machines authorized to be operated on Indian Island in Old Town.

The operation of these slot machines is subject to the laws that currently govern the operation of slots in this State except that all revenues generated by the slot machines must be received by the Penobscot Nation except for 1% gross slot machine revenue that is paid to the state, as is the case with the slot machines governed by current law.

(This would help us compete with Hollywood slots and give us leverage to negotiate a mutual market sharing agreement.

Bill Draft Requests (2)

Title: "An Act to provide Equity to the Penobscot Nation in the Return of tax Revenue"

Information:

Over four years ago Rep Soctomah got a law passed that returns tax revenue (sales) generated on the Passamaquoddy reservation to the Passamaquoddy Tribe. This would amend that law to include Penobscot Nation.

(We had a general meeting and this was one of the bills that they decided they wanted submitted.)

Title: "An Act to provide the Penobscot Nation Tribal Court with Concurrent Jurisdiction with Sate Courts over Class B and C Crimes"

Information:

This would provide the Penobscot Nation Tribal Court with concurrent jurisdiction with State Courts over class B and C crimes.

(It would allow us the option of hearing those cases. We would not have to but at least we would have the choice. This would be Indian on Indian crimes only.)

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An Act To Eliminate the Fee To Operate High-stakes Beano

PRESENTED BY: _____

(Representative LORING)

TOWN: Penobscot Nation

123LR0665(01)-1

PROPOSED SHORT TITLE:
AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE FEE TO
OPERATE HIGH-STAKES BEANO
(Subject to change)

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

2 **Sec. 1. 17 MRSA §314-A, sub-§4**, as repealed and replaced by PL 1991, c. 426,
3 §4, is amended to read:

4 **4. Term of license; fee may not be charged.** A license issued under this section is
5 valid for a period of one year. ~~The annual license fee for a high-stakes beano license is~~
6 ~~\$50,000, payable in advance in quarterly installments. All license fees must be paid to~~
7 ~~the Treasurer of State to be credited to the General Fund.~~ A fee may not be charged for a
8 license issued under this section.

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SUMMARY

10 This bill eliminates the annual fee for a high-stakes beano license.

SPONSOR: Representative LORING of Penobscot Nation

An Act To Eliminate the Fee To Operate High-stakes Beano

Lead Cosponsor: (sign)

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ELIZABETH M. SCHENLEY

Cosponsors pursuant to Joint Rule 206, subsection 1:

1. (sign)

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LEWIS A. SNOWE MELLO

2. (sign)

Christine Savage

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CHRISTINE SAVAGE

3. (sign)

Donald Sactomah

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DONALD SACTOMAH

4. (sign)

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5. (sign)

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6. (sign)

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7. (sign)

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8. (sign)

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An Act To Provide Equity for the Penobscot Nation in the Return of Tax Revenue

PRESENTED BY: _____

(Representative LORING)

TOWN: Penobscot Nation

123LR0667(01)-1

PROPOSED SHORT TITLE:
PROVIDE EQUITY FOR PENOSCOT
NATION IN RETURN OF TAX REVENUE
(Subject to change)

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

2 **Sec. 1. 36 MRSA §1815-A** is enacted to read:

3 **§1815-A. Tax from sales occurring on Penobscot Indian Island Reservation**

4 **1. Penobscot Sales Tax Fund.** The Penobscot Sales Tax Fund, referred to in this
5 section as "the fund," is established as a dedicated account to be administered by the
6 Treasurer of State for the purpose of returning sales tax revenue to the Penobscot Nation
7 pursuant to subsections 2 and 3.

8 **2. Monthly transfer.** By the 20th day of each month, the assessor shall notify the
9 State Controller and the Treasurer of State of the amount of revenue attributable to the tax
10 collected under this Part in the previous month on sales occurring on the Penobscot
11 Indian Island Reservation reduced by the transfer to the Local Government Fund required
12 by Title 30-A, section 5681. When notified by the assessor, the State Controller shall
13 transfer that amount to the Penobscot Sales Tax Fund.

14 **3. Monthly payment.** By the end of each month, the Treasurer of State shall make
15 payments to the Penobscot Nation from the Penobscot Sales Tax Fund equal to the
16 amounts transferred into the fund.

17 **SUMMARY**

18 This bill returns sales tax revenues generated on the Penobscot Indian Island
19 Reservation to the Penobscot Nation in the same way as the law currently returns sales
20 tax revenues generated on the Passamaquoddy reservation at Pleasant Point and Indian
21 Township to the Passamaquoddy Tribe.

SPONSOR: Representative LORING of Penobscot Nation

An Act To Provide Equity for the Penobscot Nation in the Return of Tax Revenue

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