

STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
TWO THOUSAND AND FIFTEEN

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H.P. 878 - L.D. 1292

An Act To Allow for Super Cribbage Tournaments

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

Sec. 1. 17 MRSA §1836, sub-§4-A is enacted to read:

4-A. Exception for super cribbage tournament. Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, the Chief of the State Police may issue up to 3 licenses per year for the conduct of a super cribbage tournament. For the purposes of this subsection, "cribbage" means a card game that uses a board and pegs to keep score and of which the characteristic feature is a crib into which players discard cards from their dealt hand to create a crib of 4 cards unseen by other players that will be ultimately part of the dealer's hand. The license fee for a super cribbage tournament is \$75. A super cribbage tournament must be conducted in the same manner as prescribed for a tournament game by this section except as follows.

A. The super cribbage tournament may be conducted by a nationally chartered organization that organizes tournament-style cribbage games and that is exempt from taxation under the United States Internal Revenue Code, Section 501(c)(3) so long as the principal organizer has been a member of that organization for a period of not less than 3 years.

B. The minimum number of players required is 50.

C. The maximum entry fee allowed is \$100 per player.

D. The super cribbage tournament need not be held on premises owned by the licensee.

E. The super cribbage tournament may be conducted over a period of up to 72 hours.

F. Notwithstanding subsection 2, 50% of the proceeds of the super cribbage tournament after prizes are paid must be paid to a bona fide charitable organization, other than the licensee, listed on the tournament application submitted to the Chief of the State Police.

This subsection is repealed September 30, 2017.