



130th MAINE LEGISLATURE

FIRST REGULAR SESSION-2021

Legislative Document

No. 671

S.P. 256

In Senate, March 3, 2021

An Act To Allow the Sale of Raffle Tickets Online

(EMERGENCY)

Received by the Secretary of the Senate on March 1, 2021. Referred to the Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D M Grant", is positioned above the name of the Secretary of the Senate.

DAREK M. GRANT
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook.
Cosponsored by Speaker FECTEAU of Biddeford and
Senators: LUCHINI of Hancock, STEWART of Aroostook.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, due to the pandemic related to coronavirus disease 2019, or COVID-19, nonprofit organizations have been unable to do fundraising necessary to support the causes championed by those nonprofit organizations; and

Whereas, this legislation provides one method of fundraising for nonprofit organizations and needs to be enacted as soon as possible; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

Sec. 1. 17 MRSA §1831, sub-§13, ¶A, as enacted by PL 2009, c. 487, Pt. A, §2, is amended to read:

A. A person pays or agrees to pay something of value for a chance, represented and differentiated by a number, to win a prize. The person may pay in person or by means of the Internet;

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved.

SUMMARY

This bill allows a person to buy a raffle ticket online.