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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 755, L.D. 1077, Bill, “An Act To Reduce the Annual License Fee for High-stakes Beano and To Allow the Passamaquoddy Tribe To Operate 50 Slot Machines in the Tribe's High-stakes Beano Facility”

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'An Act To Reduce the License Fee for High-stakes Beano'

Amend the bill by striking out all of the emergency preamble (page 1, lines 1 to 12 in L.D.).

Amend the bill by striking out all of sections 1 to 7.

Amend the bill in section 8 in subsection 4 in the 3rd line (page 5, line 23 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "\$25,000" and inserting the following: '~~\$25,000~~ \$5,000'

Amend the bill by striking out all of the emergency clause and inserting the following:

'Sec. 9. High-stakes beano license reduction. Notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 17, section 314-A, subsection 4, a unit within the Department of Public Safety tasked with collecting fees for the conduct of high-stakes beano may not collect an amount totaling greater than \$5,000 in calendar year 2017 from any one federally recognized Indian tribe in the State eligible to conduct high-stakes beano.'

Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

SUMMARY

This amendment changes the title of the bill and strikes the emergency preamble and emergency clause from the bill and all of the provisions that authorize the operation of slot machines at a facility where high-stakes beano is conducted by the Passamaquoddy Tribe. The amendment retains the provision that reduces the license fee for high-stakes beano, except that the amendment reduces the annual fee to \$5,000. The amendment also

1 provides that fees collected from any one federally recognized Indian tribe in the State for
2 the operation of high-stakes beano may not exceed \$5,000 in calendar year 2017.