

**Proposed Change to State Lottery Statute Regarding Annual Reporting
For GOC Consideration**

Current Statute (Excerpted)

**Maine Revised Statutes
Title 8: AMUSEMENTS AND SPORTS
Chapter 14-A: LOTTERY**

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1. Appointment; qualifications.

2. Powers and duties. The director shall have the following powers and duties:

H. Certify monthly to the Treasurer of State, the commission and the commissioner a full and complete statement of lottery revenues, prize disbursements and other expenses for the preceding month; submit an annual report, subject to the approval of the commission, that must include a full and complete statement of lottery revenues, prize disbursements and expenses, to the Governor and the Legislature, together with recommendations for changes in this chapter;

I. Carry on a continuous study and investigation of the lotteries throughout the State and the operation and administration of similar laws that may be in effect in other jurisdictions. The director, subject to the prior approval of the commission, may enter into a written agreement with a multijurisdictional lottery association for the operation, marketing and promotion of a joint lottery or joint lottery games with other jurisdictions.

Any final agreement entered into with a multijurisdictional lottery association must provide that the director has the authority to terminate the agreement upon the provision of reasonable notice, not to exceed 6 months. The final agreement must further provide that the director may terminate the agreement at any time, without prior notice, in the event that the director's authority is withdrawn or limited by law; and

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K. Submit an annual report, subject to the approval of the commission, to the Governor, the joint standing committee having jurisdiction over lottery matters and the joint standing committee having jurisdiction over appropriations and financial affairs. The report shall be submitted by **DATE** each year and shall include:

- (1) a description of the decisions made and actions taken by the State Liquor and Lottery Commission for the preceding year relevant to lottery operations;
- (2) a full and complete statement of lottery revenues, prize disbursements and expenses for the preceding year with a detailed statement of the expenditures made to promote lottery sales through marketing, advertisement and recruitment;
- (3) a historical view of the account used to manage lottery operations and from which transfers are made to the General Fund;
- (4) a description of the lottery marketing and advertising activities for the preceding year including a listing of the radio and television stations used for advertising and the amount of advertising activity and budget associated with each; and
- (5) any recommendations for changes in this chapter.

The joint standing committee with jurisdiction over veterans and legal affairs may submit to the Legislature any legislation based on the report.

Questions:

1. Should there be a requirement also for BABLO to brief VLA on the report in a public meeting?
2. Is it important to set up the reporting to the Legislature so that the report will be included on the Legislative Calendar?
3. Should BABLO's similar reporting requirement for liquor operations also be amended to remove requirement to certify to Treasurer and to specify date of annual report and which committees the report should be made to? See current statute (excerpted) next page.

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Title 28-A: LIQUORS

Chapter 3-A: ADMINISTRATION AND ORGANIZATION

§83-B. ENFORCEMENT AND LICENSING ACTIVITIES OF THE BUREAU

The bureau shall establish policies and rules and propose legislation concerning the administration and the enforcement of the laws under this Title and for the sale of liquor in this State. The bureau shall:

11. Certification. Certify monthly to the Treasurer of State and the commissioner a complete statement of expenses and revenues collected in accordance with the licensing and enforcement functions of the bureau. The bureau shall submit an annual report that includes a complete statement of expenses and revenues collected in accordance with the licensing and enforcement functions of the bureau to the Governor and the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over alcoholic beverage matters, together with recommendations for changes to this Title.