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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD

TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-FOUR

S.P. 865 - L.D. 2037

An Act to Align the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program with Federal Regulations

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

Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §3104, sub-§16, as amended by PL 2021, c. 398, Pt. OO, §12, is further amended to read:

16. Certain lottery and gambling winners ineligible. A recipient of <u>household</u> receiving food assistance through the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program may be denied food assistance as described in this subsection.

A. Lottery <u>Gross lottery</u> and gambling winnings of \$5,000 or more, actually received after any offsets to the winnings required by law by an individual in the recipient's household within one calendar month equal to or greater than the maximum allowable financial resource limit for elderly or disabled households, as provided in federal regulations governing SNAP, won in a single game disqualifies the household from receiving food assistance through the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program until financial eligibility guidelines set forth in department rule are met.

B. The department shall enter into an agreement with the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages and Lottery Operations, pursuant to which the bureau shall provide the department with reports no less than monthly to assist the department in determining whether an individual in the recipient's household a recipient of SNAP benefits has received lottery and gambling winnings of \$5,000 or more within one calendar month equal to or greater than the maximum allowable financial resource limit for elderly or disabled households, as provided in federal regulations governing SNAP.