

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1207

H. P. 1011

House of Representatives, March 10, 1981

Speaker laid before the House and on Motion of Representative Cox of Brewer referred to the Committee on Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Carrier of Westbrook.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE

AN ACT to Make Drinking in an Unlicensed Public Place a Class E Crime.

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

17 MRSA § 2003, sub-§ 1 is amended to read:

1. **Drinking in public place.** Any person taking a drink of liquor or offering a drink of liquor to another or any person in charge of a public place knowingly permitting drinking at or in a public place, except places licensed for on-premise sale of liquor, or any person taking a drink a liquor or offering a drink of liquor in any vehicle not licensed for sale of liquor ~~shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$50~~ is guilty of a Class E crime.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to make drinking in any public place which is not licensed for the on-premise sale of liquor, including drinking within a motor vehicle, a Class E crime.