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Reported by: Senator MICHAUD of Penobscot for the Committee.

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**STATE OF MAINE
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 94, L.D. 234, Bill, "An Act to Clarify the Liquor Licensing Laws for Certain Eating Establishments"

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

'An Act to Clarify the Liquor Licensing Laws for Certain Establishments'

Further amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the statement of fact and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 1. 28-A MRSA §4, sub-§1, ¶A, as amended by PL 1995, c. 46, §1, is further amended to read:

A. Licensees may not sell liquor on Sunday between the hours of 6 a.m. and 12 noon. ~~A-Class A-restaurant or a-Class A-restaurant/lounge may commence selling liquor on Sunday at 9 a.m.'~~

Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the statement of fact the following:

FISCAL NOTE

Extending the hours for liquor sales on Sunday mornings may result in insignificant increases of General Fund revenue from liquor sales.'

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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This amendment replaces the bill and permits all liquor licensees to begin selling alcoholic beverages at 9 a.m. on Sunday mornings. Under current law as amended by Public Law 1995, chapter 46, alcohol may not be sold until noon on Sundays, except by a Class A restaurant or a Class A restaurant/lounge, which may sell liquor on Sunday beginning at 9:00 a.m. The amendment also adds a fiscal note to the bill.