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House of Representatives, January 4, 2006

An Act To Allow Independent Wineries To Serve Wine at Trade Shows

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

Reference to the Committee on Legal and Veterans Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

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Clerk

Presented by Representative DUNN of Bangor.
Cosponsored by Senator PERRY of Penobscot and
Representative: KAELIN of Winterport, Senator: WESTON of Waldo.

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

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4 **Sec. 1. 28-A MRSA §1355, sub-§3, ¶E** is enacted to read:

6 E. A holder of a farm winery license may serve
8 complimentary samples of wine produced at the winery to
10 persons who are not minors at trade shows for the purpose of
12 allowing consumers to taste the wine product at the trade
14 show. For the purposes of this paragraph, "trade show"
16 means an event at which the goods and services of a specific
18 industry are exhibited, such as, but not limited to, a free
20 public wine tasting at a licensed retail store or a
22 restaurant. A holder of a farm winery license may serve
 complimentary samples of wine on Sunday after the hour of
 12:00 noon at trade shows.

SUMMARY

20 This bill allows farm wineries, those wineries manufacturing
22 less than 50,000 gallons a year, to serve complimentary samples
 of wine to consumers at industry trade shows.