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BILL SUMMARY



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Office of Legislative Assistants State House, Station 13 Augusta, Maine 04333 (207) 289-2486 726 AN ACT TO SET THE ON-PREMISE LIQUOR Michaud LV/WD LICENSE FEES IN ACCORDANCE WITH Martin, H. H/S: Accepted POPULATION Swazey

SUMMARY: Provides for reduced liquor license fees in municipalities with population of 5,000 or less.

727 AN ACT REGARDING FRANCHISE PRAC- Mitchell, J. M-ONTP
TICES IN THE BUSINESS OF BEVERAGE Clark, N. m-OTP
DISTRIBUTORS H/S: Acc M Rep

SUMMARY: Retail sellers of alcoholic beverages allowed free choice in selection of distributors, rather than being required to deal exclusively with wholesaler assigned to territory where retailer is located; applies to both beer and wine.

NOTE: See also LD 1070 (wine only)

AN ACT TO PROVIDE A CLASS A LOUNGE McSweeney Liquor LICENSE Daggett to m. rep. Rotondi S:Acc M rep; Callahan eng.

SUMMARY: Provides for new liquor license category for Class A lounges; would allow lounges to sell spiritous, vinous and malt liquors rather than only beer and wine, as with taverns, but lounges would not need to meet the same food requirements as a restaurant.

801 AN ACT CONCERNING THE HOURS DURING Pray OTP-Acc.
WHICH AN AGENCY LIQUOR STORE MAY BE PL 1983
OPEN c. 102

SUMMARY: Allows agency stores to sell liquor between the hours of 6 a.m. and midnight, the same hours during which they may sell beer.

818 AN ACT TO INCREASE PENALTIES ON Rolde LV/WD
MINORS WHO PRESENT FALSE IDENTI- H/S: Acc.
FICATION CARDS TO PURCHASE LIQUOR

SUMMARY: Raises fines on minors convicted of buying alcoholic beverages with false ID's; fines of not more than \$200 for first offense, not less than \$100 or more than \$200 for a second offense, and not less than \$200 for subsequent offenses.

NOTE; See also LD 449.

AN ACT TO PERMIT FRATERNAL ORGANI - Ingrehem LV/WD
ZATIONS TO HAVE GAME MACHINES ON Tuttle H/S: Acc.
PREMISES WHEN THE PROCEEDS ARE USED
FOR CHARITABLE PURPOSES

SUMMARY: Allows nonprofit fraternal and veterans' services organizations to operate on-premises gaming or slot machines if net profits used solely for charitable purposes.