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Mark A. Trafton
City Manager
Presque Isle, Maine

Dear Sir:

Thank you for your letter of December 7th, in reply to mine of the 5th. The statutes do not define a hotel so as to designate how many rooms are necessary, but seem to leave the question pretty much up to the discretion of the municipal officers. I call your attention to the definition of a hotel, contained in the Rules and Regulations of the State Liquor Commission, which is as follows:

"1. 'HOTEL' a building owned or leased and operated by a person holding a duly issued and valid license as an innkeeper under the provisions of Chapter 36 of the Revised Statutes of 1930, as amended, and provided with sleeping accommodations and adequate and sanitary kitchen and dining room equipment and capacity for preparing and serving suitable food for its guests, including travelers and strangers and its other patrons and customers and in addition meeting and complying with all requirements imposed upon innkeepers under said Chapter 36, as amended; also licensed by the Department of Health and Welfare, Bureau of Health, under the provisions of Chapter 83, Public Laws of 1935."

I trust this will answer your inquiry, and would suggest that if you wish further information you communicate with William H. Niehoff who is attorney for the Liquor Commission.

Very truly yours,

Frank A. Farrington
Deputy Attorney General

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