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STATE OF MAINE

Inter-Departmental Memorandum Date February 3, 1975

To Keith H. Ingraham, Director

Dept. Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages

From Philip M. Kilmister, Asst.

Dept. Attorney General

Subject Possibility of Conflict of Interest

In answer to your memo under date of January 27, 1975 submitted to this office, please be advised that in my opinion no conflict of interest would exist if an employee of a state liquor store were to hold public office in either a town or municipality.

It is unlikely that any impropriety would arise even if said employee, acting as either a selectman or city councilor, were to vote on matters such as approval of liquor license applications. An employee of a state liquor store would have no authentic proprietary interest in the granting or denial of such licenses, merely because of his employment status.