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Legislative Document

No. 264

S. P. 119

In Senate, January 12, 1961.

Referred to Committee on Liquor Control. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary

Presented by Senator Lovell of York.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to State-wide Sale of Liquor.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 61, § 2, repealed. Section 2 of chapter 61 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is repealed.

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 61, § 27, amended. Section 27 of chapter 61 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended to read as follows:

Sec. 27. Sale on certain days and hours. No liquor shall be sold in this State on Sundays **before 1 P. M.** and no licensee by himself, clerk, servant or agent shall between the hours of ~~midnight~~ **3 A. M.** and 6 A. M. sell or deliver any liquors ~~except no liquors shall be sold or delivered on Saturdays after 11:45 P. M.~~ Liquor may be sold on January 1st of any year from midnight to 2 A. M. unless January 1st falls on Sunday. Liquor may be sold in any municipality on the day of holding a general election or state-wide primary only after the closing of the polls in such municipality. No licensee shall permit the consumption of liquors on his premises **before 1 P. M.** on Sundays or after 15 minutes past the hours prohibited for sale thereof, except by bone fide guests in their rooms. No liquor shall be sold in this State on May 30th prior to 12 noon. The hours of selling or delivering above referred to shall be United States Eastern Standard Time. Any person, except an officer in performance of his duties, who purchases liquor on Sunday, in any retail store **in violation of this section**, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be subject to the same penalty provided in this section for Sunday sale of liquor.

Any licensee by himself, clerk, servant or agent who sells liquor on Sunday **in violation of this section** shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$100 nor

more than \$500, and costs, and a penalty of not less than 2 months nor more than 6 months, in jail, at the discretion of the court; and in default of fine and costs an additional penalty by imprisonment for 6 months. Any clerk, servant, agent or other person in the employment of a licensee, who violates or in any manner aids or assists in violating the law relating to Sunday sale of liquor, shall suffer like penalties.

If any licensee or any clerk, servant or agent of a licensee is convicted of a violation of the provisions of this section and appeals from the judgment and sentence of the trial court, the licensee's license to sell liquor shall be suspended during the time such appeal is pending in the appellate court unless the trial court shall otherwise order and no new or renewal license to sell liquor shall be granted to the licensee during the time of such appeal.'