

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND THIRD LEGISLATURE

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

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Roy of Winslow.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-SEVEN

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**AN ACT Providing Local Option for Sunday Sales of Liquor by Hotels and Restaurants.**

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., T. 28, § 4, amended.** The first paragraph of section 4 of Title 28 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

No ~~liquor shall be sold in this State on Sundays and~~ no licensee by himself, clerk, servant or agent shall between the hours of midnight and 6 a. m. sell or deliver any liquors, except no liquors shall be sold or delivered on Saturdays after 11:45 p. m. **No liquor shall be sold in this State on Sundays, except that, subject to all the other provisions of this Title, licensed hotels and restaurants may sell liquor on Sunday between the hours of 1 p. m. and 9 p. m. according to the prevailing time in the State as shown in Title 1, section 151.** 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 on Sundays or after 15 minutes past the hours prohibited for sale thereof, except by bona 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, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be subject to the same penalty provided in this section for Sunday sale of liquor.

**Sec. 2. R. S., T. 28, § 101, amended.** Section 101 of Title 28 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 2 of chapter 243 of the public laws of 1965, is further amended by inserting after question 10, the following:

**11. Shall licenses be granted in this city or town for the sale herein on Sundays of wine, spirits and malt liquor by hotels and restaurants?**

**Sec. 3. R. S., T. 28, § 102, amended.** The 2nd and 3rd paragraphs of section 102 of Title 28 of the Revised Statutes are amended to read as follows:

If a majority of the votes cast in any municipality in answer to questions 7, 8, 9 ~~or~~, 10 **or** 11 is in the affirmative, the ballots for that municipality at the next biennial general election shall carry such question or questions without petition.

If a majority of the votes cast in any municipality in answer to question 7, 8, 9 ~~or~~, 10 **or** 11 is in the negative, the ballots for that municipality at the next biennial general election shall carry such question or questions only after the petition required by this section.

**Sec. 4. R. S., T. 28, § 701, amended.** Section 701 of Title 28 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding after the 2nd paragraph the following new paragraph:

**An additional fee of \$100 shall be charged for full-year licenses for hotels and restaurants selling liquor on Sunday.**

**Sec. 5. R. S., T. 28, § 701, amended.** Section 701 of Title 28 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding after the 5th paragraph the following new paragraph:

**An additional fee of \$50 shall be charged for part-time licenses for hotels and restaurants selling liquor on Sunday.**