

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 900

H. P. 700

House of Representatives, February 19, 1969

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

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Carey of Waterville.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-NINE

AN ACT Relating to Definition of Hotel Under Liquor Law.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 28, § 2, sub-§ 9, repealed and replaced. Subsection 9 of section 2 of Title 28 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof :

9. **Hotel.** "Hotel" shall mean any reputable place operated by responsible persons of good reputation, where the public, for a consideration obtains sleeping accommodations and where meals may be served, whether or not under one roof. Each hotel shall be equipped with at least 10 adequate sleeping rooms when it is located in a municipality of 3,000 or less, 20 such sleeping rooms when located in a municipality having population of from 3,000 to 7,500 and 30 such sleeping rooms when located in municipalities having more than 7,500 population. All such rooms shall be in addition to rooms used by the owner or his employees. Increase in population as shown by the 1960 and any subsequent Federal Census shall not affect the eligibility for license of premises licensed prior to any such census.

No group of buildings which is reasonably classified as overnight camps shall qualify as a hotel.

A hotel shall be deemed to be serving meals when it provides on the premises a public dining room or rooms, open and serving food during the morning, afternoon and evening, and a separate kitchen in which food is regularly prepared for the public. One-third of the gross income of each such hotel shall be derived from the rental of rooms and sale of food.

Nothing in this subsection shall be held to prevent the commission from issuing summer or part-time licenses to bona fide summer hotels. The above requirements with respect to number of rooms shall not apply to premises licensed on August 13, 1947.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 28, § 701, amended. The first paragraph of section 701 of Title 28 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

Fees for full-year licenses shall be:

Hotel—Spirituous and vinous, in cities or towns having population of 10,000 or more, serving meals	\$ 600.00
Hotel—Spirituous and vinous, in cities or towns having population of 10,000 or more, not serving meals	1,000.00
Hotel—Spirituous and vinous, in cities or towns having population of less than 10,000, serving meals	300.00
Hotel—Spirituous and vinous, in cities or towns having population of less than 10,000, not serving meals	500.00