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S. P. 586

In Senate, January 6, 1970

The Committee on Liquor Control suggested.

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

Presented by Senator Berry of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
AND SEVENTY

AN ACT Amending the Liquor Laws.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, commercial airlines require complete eating facilities including supplies of spirituous and vinous liquors at points of departure on national and international flights; and

Whereas, the lack of this service under existing law will result in a substantial loss of revenue and the rerouting of flights to states where such service can be obtained; and

Whereas, the 103rd Legislature in regular session enacted chapter 165 of the private and special laws of 1967 whereby provision was made for the official observance of the 150th anniversary of the formation of the State of Maine and whereby the Maine State Sesquicentennial Commission was established; and

Whereas, the commission has been in existence since the fall of 1967; and

Whereas, the following legislation is vitally necessary to allow the commission to continue its duties, primarily to coordinate and correlate the programs and activities of all agencies of the State in planning the observance of the anniversary; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the fol-

lowing legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 28, § 204, amended. The last sentence of the first paragraph of section 204 of Title 28 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by chapter 311 of the public laws of 1969, is amended to read as follows:

The commission may sell spirituous and vinous liquor not for consumption within the State to airlines or their agents as authorized by the Liquor Commission at a price to be set by the commission which shall be approved by the Governor and Council.

Sec. 2. Additional funds for Sesquicentennial Commission. Notwithstanding the Revised Statutes, Title 28, section 451, all net revenue, less the cost of handling each bottle, derived from the state liquor tax of spirits sold until June 30, 1971 by the State Liquor Commission in sesquicentennial bottles, approved by the State Liquor Commission, shall be deposited to the credit of the Maine State Sesquicentennial Commission to be expended by the Sesquicentennial Commission for the observance of the 150th anniversary of the formation of the State of Maine. Any funds remaining at June 30, 1970 shall be carried forward to the next fiscal year for the same purposes.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.