

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1424

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-ONE

AN ACT to Permit the Sale of Beer on Sunday for Off-premises Consumption.

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

R. S., T. 28, § 4, amended. Section 4 of Title 28 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding after the 5th paragraph 2 new paragraphs to read as follows:

Licensees who are licensed to sell malt liquors in retail stores not to be consumed on the premises shall have the right to sell malt liquors for offpremise consumption on Sunday between the hours of 12 noon and midnight and such sales may be made during such time by the licensee himself, a clerk, servant or agent in a municipality or unincorporated place where a majority of votes cast in the municipality or unincorporated place in a statewide special election shall answer in the afirmative to the following local option question:

Shall this municipality or unincorporated place authorize the sale on Sunday of malt liquor for consumption off the premises by such licensees who are permitted to make such sales during the rest of the week?

and where there was a majority of affirmative votes cast on local option question 6, voted upon at the last election at which local liquor option questions were on the ballot in the municipality or unincorporated place.

The foregoing general election shall be held in November, 1972. Electors in any municipality may place on a ballot and vote upon local option question numbered 12 in the manner provided by section 101 and electors in an unincorporated place may place on a ballot and vote upon local option question numbered 12 in the manner provided by section 103.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

The intent and purpose of this Act is to permit the sale on Sunday of malt beverages to be consumed off the premises only. (Beer and ale to take out.) It would go to local option in November 1972 and be voted on only in such places as now permit such sales during the rest of the week.