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No. 1937

H. P. 1494

House of Representatives, January 24, 1972

Committee on Liquor Control suggested.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Lewis of Bristol.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-TWO

**AN ACT Authorizing Town of Dresden to Vote on Certain
Liquor Local Option Questions.**

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

Whereas, there are now efforts being made in the Town of Dresden for the construction of an inn; and

Whereas, in order to insure the success of this enterprise, it is necessary that the inhabitants of the Town of Dresden be permitted to vote upon certain liquor local option questions before the next general election; and

Whereas, the following legislation is vitally necessary to economically benefit the Town of Dresden; and

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

Town of Dresden authorized to vote on certain liquor local option questions. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the selectmen of the Town of Dresden, Lincoln County, are empowered and directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Dresden to meet, in the manner prescribed for the calling and holding of biennial meetings of said inhabitants for the election of Senators and Representatives, at a special meeting to be held within 90

days after the effective date of this Act, to give in their votes upon the following questions:

1. Shall licenses be granted in this Town for sale herein of wine and spirits to be consumed on the premises? (Hotel and Club)

2. Shall licenses be granted in this Town for sale herein of malt liquor (beer, ale and other malt liquors) to be consumed on the premises? (Beer and Ale in Restaurants, Hotels and Clubs)

The result of the votes shall be determined as provided in the Revised Statutes, Title 21.

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

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of the bill is reflected in the emergency preamble.