

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

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S. P. 178

In Senate, January 31, 1973

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

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

Presented by Senator Cyr of Aroostook.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-THREE

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AN ACT Relating to Class A Restaurants.

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., T. 28, § 2, sub-§ 18, amended.** The 2nd sentence and the 3rd sentence, as amended by chapter 87 of the public laws of 1967, of subsection 18 of section 2 of Title 28 of the Revised Statutes, are further amended to read as follows:

**In cities and towns having a population in excess of \$20,000, ~~Year-round~~ year-round** class A restaurants must do a minimum of \$50,000 per year in sale and service of food to the public on their premises; ~~Part-time~~ **part-time** licensees must do a minimum of \$30,000 business in sale or service of food to the public on their premises as a requirement for a part-time license not in excess of 6 consecutive months, and \$20,000 business in sale or service of food to the public on their premises as a requirement for a part-time license not in excess of 3 consecutive months.

**Sec. 2. R. S., T. 28, § 2, sub-§ 18, amended.** The 4th sentence of subsection 18 of section 2 of Title 28 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by chapter 247 of the public laws of 1969, is amended to read as follows:

In cities and towns having a population of 20,000 or less **but not less than 7,000**, year-round class A restaurants must do a minimum of \$40,000 per year in sale and service of food to the public on their premises; as a requirement for a part-time license not in excess of 6 consecutive months, part-time licensees must do a minimum of \$25,000 business in sale or service of food to the public on their premises.

**Sec. 3. R. S., T. 28, § 2, sub-§ 18, amended.** The 5th sentence of subsection 18 of section 2 of Title 28 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by chapter 144 of the public laws of 1971, is further amended to read as follows:

In cities, towns, and unincorporated places having a population of less than ~~5,000~~ 7,000, year-round class A restaurants must do a minimum of ~~\$30,000~~ \$10,000 per year in sale and service of food to the public on their premises; as a requirement for a part-time license not in excess of 6 consecutive months, part-time licensees must do a minimum of ~~\$20,000~~ \$5,000 business in sale or service of food to the public on their premises.

**Sec. 4. R. S., T. 28, § 2, sub-§ 18, amended.** The 6th sentence of subsection 18 of section 2 of Title 28 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

In the case of both full-time and part-time licenses at least ~~60%~~ 40% of the total volume of business shall be sale of food.

**Sec. 5. R. S., T. 28, § 702, amended.** The 2nd paragraph of section 702 of Title 28 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 55 of chapter 513 of the public laws of 1965, is amended to read as follows:

Licensed hotels, class A taverns, **class A restaurants** and restaurant malt liquor licensees who have been issued such special amusement permit may charge admission in designated areas approved by the commission.

#### STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill makes some corrections of the present liquor law relative to class A restaurants. Its main purpose is to change the minimum amount of sales and service of food required for a part-time liquor license in small cities and towns. It also changes the percentage of the total volume of business for sale of food for full and part-time liquor licenses.