

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 927

H. P. 721 House of Representatives, February 15, 1973
Referred to Committee on Liquor Control. Sent up for concurrence and
ordered printed.

E. LOUISE LINCOLN, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Kelleher of Bangor.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-THREE

**AN ACT Relating to Entertainment for Class A Restaurants, Hotels and
Clubs under Liquor Law.**

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

R. S., T. 28, § 702, amended. Section 702 of Title 28 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

Class A restaurants, hotels and clubs having been granted approval by the municipal officers of the municipality in which the licensed premises are situated for a music, dancing or entertainment permit, and upon application to the commission shall be granted a license permit for music, dancing or family-type entertainment. Said license may be revoked by the commission if the licensee, his agent or employee allows upon his licensed premises any improper conduct, disorder, illegality, disturbance, lewdness, immoral activities or language, songs, entertainment, literature, pictures, or advertising materials of indecent, profane or obscene nature, or cause to have printed or distributed any lewd, immoral, indecent or obscene literature, pictures or advertising material of indecent, profane or obscene nature. Class A restaurants, hotels and clubs shall have the right to advertise the music, dancing or entertainment allowed upon their premises by their permit without prior approval of the commission. Said advertising must be in good taste, acceptable by the advertising media involved in accordance with their standards. Said license for entertainment shall be in full force and effect during such times and hours as the licensee is permitted to be open by law for the sale of such beverages as his license permits. Any Class A restaurant, hotel or club licensee may have or maintain any separate room advertised, designated or

held out for the specific purpose of service of spirituous and vinous liquor as a cocktail lounge or under any other designation and shall be allowed to make a cover or admission charge.

STATEMENT OF FACT

All other licensees, with the exception of Class A restaurants, are allowed to have entertainment without undue restrictions. This bill would allow Class A restaurants, hotels and clubs to have good and decent entertainment on their premises. It would also allow them to advertise in good taste without interference and the necessity of having to have prior approval of the commission on their ads. It would further allow them to have entertainment at such times as they are allowed to be open by reason of having been issued a license by the commission.