

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 356

S. P. 101

In Senate, January 23, 1975

Referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

Presented by Senator Conley of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to Hearings for Applications for Liquor Licenses.

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

28 MRSA, § 252, 1st ¶, as last amended by PL 1967, c. 314, is further amended to read:

The municipal officers, or in case of unincorporated places the county commissioners of the county wherein such unincorporated place is located, shall hold a public hearing for the consideration of all new applications for liquor licenses requiring their approval, ~~after giving~~ or where the municipal officers or county commissioners deem it necessary, on applications for renewal of licenses requiring their approval. Prior public notice of any such hearings shall be given at the applicant's expense, which shall be prepaid, by causing a notice, stating the name and business address of the applicant and the time and place of hearing, to be printed for at least 6 consecutive days prior to the date of hearing in a daily newspaper published in the city or town in which the premises proposed to be licensed are situated; or, if no daily newspaper is so published, the notice shall be printed for 2 consecutive weeks prior to the date of hearing in any newspaper published in such city or town, or, if no newspaper is published in such city or town, the notice shall be printed for at least 6 consecutive days in a daily newspaper having general circulation in the city or town in which the premises are situated or for 2 consecutive weeks prior to the date of hearing in any newspaper published in that county.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This would eliminate an expensive and time consuming delay for the licensees and would relieve municipalities and counties of many unnecessary hearings. It does provide the municipal officers and county commissioners with the opportunity to hold these hearings if they deem it necessary.