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EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Farnham of Hampden.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to the Definition of Restaurant under the Liquor Laws.

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

28 MRSA § 2, sub-§ 17, 2nd sentence, as enacted by PL 1967 c. 51, is amended to read:

In the case of both full-time and part-time licenses at least $\frac{10\%}{25\%}$ of the total volume of business shall be sale of food.

STATEMENT OF FACT

Today a restaurant can do its 10% in packaged bar snacks easily. There is a tavern license which costs more than a restaurant license and most taverns are doing the 10%. To make the licenses more realistic, a restaurant should do a minimum of 25% food business or be a tavern.

The only kitchen equipment many of our restaurants have today is a Stewart machine for the preparing and sale of food.