

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1660

H. P. 1358

House of Representatives, April 3, 1975

On motion of Mr. Bustin of Augusta, referred to the Committee on Liquor Control. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Jensen of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-FIVE

AN ACT to Extend the Hours for Sale of Liquor During the Tourist Season.

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

Sec. 1. 28 MRSA § 4, as last amended by PL 1973, c. 788, § 122, is further amended by adding after the first sentence a new sentence to read:

However, notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding sentence, liquor may be sold during the period from May 1st to September 30th of each year in restaurants, class A restaurants, taverns, class A taverns, retail stores, hotels and clubs on all days of the week except Sunday until 2 a.m. In addition, in municipalities and unincorporated places where liquor is permitted to be sold by any or all classes of licensees on Sunday, liquor may be sold by those licensees during the period from May 1st to September 30th of each year on Sundays from midnight until 2 a.m. and from noon until midnight.

Sec. 2. 28 MRSA § 4, 4th ¶, 1st sentence, as last amended by PL 1969, c. 500, § 4-A, is further amended to read:

Licensed hotels, class A restaurants and clubs, as defined under section 2, shall have the right to sell liquor on Sundays between the hours of midnight and 2 a.m. and between the hours of 12 noon and midnight and continuing into Monday until 2 a.m. and such sales may be made during such time by the licensee himself, a clerk, servant or agent in a municipality or unincorporated place where a majority of votes cast in the municipality or unincorporated place in a state-wide special election shall answer in the affirmative to the following local option question:

Sec. 3. 28 MRSA § 4, 6th ¶, 1st sentence, as enacted by PL 1973, c. 196, § 1, is amended to read:

Licensees who are licensed to sell malt liquors in retail stores not to be consumed on the premises shall have the right to sell malt liquors for off-premise consumption on Sunday between the hours of **midnight to 2 a.m. and between the hours of 12 noon and midnight and continuing until 2 a.m. on Monday** and such sales may be made during such time by the licensee himself, a clerk, servant or agent in a municipality or unincorporated place where a majority of votes cast in the municipality or unincorporated place in a general election shall answer in the affirmative to the following local option question :

Sec. 4. 28 MRSA § 4, 8th ¶, 1st sentence, as enacted by PL 1973, c. 196, § 1, is amended to read :

Licensees who are licensed to sell table wines in retail stores not to be consumed on the premises shall have the right to sell table wines for off-premise consumption on Sunday between the hours of **midnight to 2 a.m. and between the hours of 12 noon and midnight and continuing until 2 a.m. on Monday** and such sales may be made during such time by the licensee himself, a clerk, servant or agent in a municipality or unincorporated place where a majority of votes cast in the municipality or unincorporated place in a general election shall answer in the affirmative to the following local option question :

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill extends the sale of liquor during the tourist season.