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STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (Filing No. H-867) 107TH LEGISLATURE FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT"A "to H.P. 1855, L.D. 2023, Bill, "AN ACT Concerning Taxes on Alcoholic Beverages."

Amend said Bill by inserting before the Fiscal Note the following:

'Sec. 4. Appropriation. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Human Services, Office of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Prevention, the sum of \$720,000 to carry out the purposes of this Act. The breakdown shall be as follows:

1976-77

HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

Office of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Prevention

All Other

\$720,000

Funds appropriated are to be from revenues received from the excise tax as explained in sections 1-3 of the Act. None of these funds are to be used for capital expansion or new construction of any kind.'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to continue to provide funding for the residential alcohol treatment facilities and out-patient, early intervention programs that are presently

operating and licensed by the Office of Alcoholism and Drug
Abuse Prevention. This bill would generate new revenue
by imposing a small tax increase on the sale of beer, wine and
bottled liquor. A portion of this new tax revenue would then
be used to fund the treatment programs.

Filed by Mrs. Morin of Old Orchard Beach.

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