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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A " to S. P. 217, L.D. 602, Bill,
"AN ACT to Limit the Number and Location of Agency Stores
under the Statutes Relating to Alcoholic Beverages."

Amend the Bill by striking out everything after the
enacting clause and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 1. 28 MRSA §153, first ¶, as amended by PL 1975,
c. 741, §8, is further amended by adding at the end the
following new sentences:

The commission shall not license a greater number of agency
stores than exists on July 1, 1979. The commission shall
not license any additional agency stores which would be
within a 10-mile radius of a state store or agency store.
If a state or agency store closes, it may not be replaced
if there is another state or agency store within a 10-mile
radius.

Sec. 2. 28 MRSA §153, as last amended by PL 1977, c. 551,
§4, is further amended by adding at the end the following
new paragraph:

The commission shall not license any new agency or state
store unless, no fewer than 60 days before the effective
date of the license, it notifies the Joint Standing Committee
on Legal Affairs of that proposed licensing. This notification
requirement shall not extend to the licensing of an agency
store in a municipality if that agency store is intended to
replace an agency store in that municipality which has,
within the previous 6 months, been closed.'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to:

1. Prevent the commission from licensing any new agency stores if they are within a 10-mile radius of any existing state or agency store; and

2. Require prior notification of any licensing of any new state or agency stores to be sent to the ^{Joint Standing} committee on legal affairs rather than the ^{Joint Standing} committee on State Government.

Reported by the Committee on Legal Affairs.

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