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L.D. 1535

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(Filing No. S- 155)

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STATE OF MAINE

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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " A " to S.P. 509,
L.D. 1535, Bill, "AN ACT to Provide for Licensing of
Bottle Clubs."

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Amend the Bill in section 2 in subsection 8 by
striking out all of paragraph A-1 and inserting in
its place the following:

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'A-1. "Bottle club" means any person operating
on a regular basis a premise for social activi-
ties in which members or guests provide their own
alcoholic beverages, where no alcoholic beverages
are sold on the premises and which maintains
suitable quarters for the use of members on a
regular basis or charges a fee to members or the
general public, including an admission fee,
charges for food, mixers or other supplies used
with alcoholic drinks or for storage of alcoholic
beverages or supplies.'

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Further amend the Bill by inserting after section
2 the following:

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'Sec. 3. 28 MRSA §101, sub-§9 is enacted to
read:

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9. Shall this municipality or unincorporated
place prohibit the operation of bottle clubs, which
are defined as any person operating on a regular
basis a premise for social activities in which mem-
bers or guests provide their own alcoholic beverages,
and where no alcoholic beverages are sold on the
premises, and which maintains suitable quarters for
the use of members on a regular basis or charges a
fee to members or to the general public?'

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Further amend the Bill in section 3 by striking

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1 out all of that part designated "§201-B." and insert-
2 ing in its place the following:

3 '§201-B. Licensing of bottle clubs

4 No bottle club may be operated unless it holds a
5 valid license under this Title.'

6 Further amend the Bill in section 7 in subsection
7 8, paragraph A (page 9, line 20 in L.D.) by striking
8 out the underlined figure "\$100" and inserting in its
9 place the underlined figure '\$25'

10 Further amend the Bill in section 7 in subsection
11 9 in the last line (page 9, line 24 in L.D.) by
12 inserting after the underlined word "fee" the follow-
13 ing: 'for a 6-month license and 7/12 the full-time
14 fee for a 7-month license'

15 Further amend the Bill by renumbering the sec-
16 tions to read consecutively.

17 STATEMENT OF FACT

18 This amendment to the bill requires licensing by
19 the State Liquor Commission for bottle clubs. It
20 changes the required fee to \$25 for a full-year li-
21 cense rather than \$100 and amends the part-time li-
22 cense provisions to conform to legislation passed
23 this session for other licensees. The amendment also
24 changes the definition of bottle club and adds a
25 local option question on bottle clubs.

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