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Reference to the Committee on Business Legislation suggested and ordered printed.

JOY J. O'BRIEN, Secretary of the Senate Presented by Senator CAHILL of Sagadahoc. Cosponsored by Representative SMALL of Bath, Representative HOLT of Bath.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SEVEN

AN ACT to Add Hardware Stores to the List of Businesses Allowed to Operate on Sundays.

4 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as 5 follows:

6 17 MRSA §3204, 2nd ¶, as amended by PL 1983, c. 7 480, Pt. A, §13, is further amended to read:

This section shall not apply to: The operation or maintenance of common, contract and private carriers; taxicabs; airplanes; newspapers; radio and television stations; hotels, motels, rooming houses, tourist and trailer camps; restaurants; garages and motor vehicle service stations; retail monument dealers; automatic laundries; machines that vend anything of value, including, but not limited to, a product, money or ser-

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1 vice; a satellite facility approved by the Superin-2 tendent of Banking under Title 9-B; or comparable fa-3 cility approved by the appropriate federal authority; 4 pharmacies; retail hardware stores; greenhouses; sea-5 stands engaged in sale of farm produce, dairy sonal 6 products, sea food or Christmas trees; public utili-7 ties; industries normally kept in continuous opera-8 tions, including, but not limited to, pulp and paper 9 plants and textile plants; processing plants handling 10 agricultural produce or products of the sea; ship 11 chandleries; marinas; establishments primarily sell-12 ing boats, boating equipment, sporting equipment, 13 souvenirs and novelties; motion picture theatres; 14 public dancing; sports and athletic events; bowling 15 alleys; displaying or exploding fireworks, under Title 8, chapter 9; musical concerts; religious, educa-16 tional, scientific or philosophical lectures; scenic, 17 historic, recreational and amusement facilities; real 18 19 estate brokers and real estate salesmen; mobile home 20 brokers and mobile home salesmen; provided that this 21 section shall not exempt the businesses or facilities sections 3205 and 3207 from closing in 22 specified in 23 any municipality until the requirements of those sec-24 tions have been met; stores wherein no more than 5 25 including the proprietor, are employed in persons, 26 the usual and regular conduct of business; stores 27 which have no more than 5,000 square feet of interior 28 customer selling space, excluding back room storage, 29 office and processing space.

STATEMENT OF FACT

31 The purpose of this bill is to add hardware 32 stores to the list of businesses allowed to operate 33 on Sundays.

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