

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

NO. 853

H.P. 630 House of Representatives, March 20, 1987
Reference to the Committee on Legal Affairs suggested and
ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk
Presented by Representative RACINE of Biddeford.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Relating to Possession of Unused
Portions of Wine at Catered Events.

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

28 MRSA §801, as repealed and replaced by PL
1985, c. 252, §7, is amended to read:

§801. Licenses generally

Licenses for the sale of spirituous, vinous and
malt liquor to be consumed on the premises where sold
may be issued to qualified applicants for qualified
premises, as defined in section 2, upon payment of
the fees provided, subject to the provision that the
initial application for the license is approved by
the municipal officers of the town or city in which

1 the intended qualified premises is located. If the
2 qualified premises is located in an unorganized
3 place, the application shall be approved by the county
4 commission of the county within which the unorga-
5 nized place is located. All approvals shall be accom-
6 plished pursuant to section 252-A.

7 No licensee for the sale of liquor to be consumed
8 on the premises where sold may by himself, clerk,
9 servant or agent, sell, give, furnish or deliver any
10 liquor to be consumed elsewhere than upon the li-
11 censed premises, except that, subject to law and the
12 rules of the commission, hotel licensees may sell li-
13 quor in the original packages to bona fide registered
14 room guests, except that persons who are qualified
15 caterers and hold a valid permit under this section
16 may at the conclusion of a catered event distribute
17 open bottles of wine to the person contracting the
18 catering services.

19 STATEMENT OF FACT

20 The purpose of this bill is to provide an excep-
21 tion to the on-premises licensing law to permit the
22 person contracting a catered event to possess all un-
23 used portions of wine purchased under the contract.

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