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Legal Affairs and printed under Joint Rule 2.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk
Original bill sponsored by Representative RAND of
Portland. Cosponsored by Representative COLES of Harpswell.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Amend the Liquor Laws as they
Pertain to State Brewers.

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

28-A MRSA §1355, sub-§1-A is enacted to read:

1-A. Breweries. The following provisions apply
to the manufacturer's license issued to a brewery,
other than a small Maine brewery licensed under sub-
section 2.

A. The holder of a brewery license may produce
malt liquor in an amount exceeding 50,000 gallons
a year.

1 B. The holder of a brewery license may permit
2 sampling of the malt liquor product on the
3 premises:

4 (1) By employees for the purpose of quality
5 control of the product;

6 (2) By wholesalers for the purpose of de-
7 termining whether to carry the brewery's
8 product as a wholesale product, provided
9 that the excise tax on any product sampled
10 is paid before sampling; and

11 (3) By the public in conjunction with a
12 tour of the brewery's facilities, provided
13 that:

14 (a) The excise tax on any product sam-
15 pled is paid before sampling; and

16 (b) Minors are not permitted to con-
17 sume any product with an alcohol con-
18 tent greater than 1/2 of 1%.

19 C. The holder of a brewery license may sell on
20 the brewery premises during regular business
21 hours a specialty package of malt liquor produced
22 at the brewery, the volume of which is not to ex-
23 ceed one gallon, to be consumed off the premises.

24 D. The holder of a brewery license may sell the
25 brewery's product to wholesalers.

26 E. The holder of a brewery license may be issued
27 one license under chapter 43 for the sale of li-
28 quor to be consumed on the premises for a loca-
29 tion other than the brewery.

30 (1) The retail license must be held exclu-
31 sively by the holder of the brewery license.

32 (2) This retail license authorizes the sale
33 of products of the brewery, other than the
34 specialty package under paragraph C, in ad-
35 dition to other liquor permitted to be sold
36 under the retail license, to be consumed on
37 the premises.

