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JOY J. O'BRIEN Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot.

STATE OF MAINE

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

An Act to Make Retail Liquor Prices Uniform Throughout the State.



- 1 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
  - Sec. 1. 28-A MRSA §403, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 45, Pt. A, §4, is repealed.

Sec. 2. 28-A MRSA §1651, sub-§2, ¶E, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 45, Pt. A, §4, is amended to read:

E. Notwithstanding the other provisions of this section, the commission may establish special prices on certain listed liquor items to be made available to the consumer at all state <u>liquor</u> stores. These-special-prices-must-not-be lewer-than-the-price-established-for-the-same-listed-item-at the-2-discount-state-liquer-stores-authorized-under-section 403.

Sec. 3. Adjustment of prices. On the effective date of this Act, the price of liquor at all state liquor stores shall be reduced to the price of liquor at retail liquor stores which, prior to the effective date of this Act, offer a retail discount.

## STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to equalize liquor prices throughout the State. Currently, there are 2 state discount liquor stores in Kittery with prices considerably lower than those at other state liquor stores. The bill makes the retail price of liquor the same as that charged at the discount liquor stores.

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