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Reference to the Committee on Taxation suggested and ordered printed.

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EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative ROLDE of York.

Cosponsored by Senator BUSTIN of Kennebec, Senator MATTHEWS of Kennebec and Representative NORTON of Winthrop.

STATE OF MAINE

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

An Act to Change the Premium on Alcoholic Beverages.

(AFTER DEADLINE)



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

3 **28-A MRSA §1703, sub-§3**, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 45, Pt.
A, §4, is amended to read:

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7 **3. Amount of premium.** The premium imposed by subsections 1
and 2 is:

9 A. ~~Ten~~ Twenty-five cents per gallon on all malt beverages
11 sold in the State;

13 B. ~~Thirty~~ Seventy-five cents per gallon on all wine, other
than sparkling wine, sold in the State;

15 C. ~~Twenty-four~~ Sixty cents per gallon on all sparkling wine
17 sold in the State; and

19 D. ~~One-dollar-and-twenty-five~~ Three dollars and fifteen
cents per proof gallon as the term proof gallon is defined
21 in the United States Code, Title 26, Section 5002, on all
spirits sold in the State.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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27 This bill raises the premium on alcoholic beverages by
varying amounts. The specified amounts are derived by
29 calculating the premium at 5 cents per ounce of absolute alcohol
and rounding where necessary to the closest 5 cents, as opposed
31 to the current formula which is based on 2 cents per ounce of
absolute alcohol.