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SENATE AMENDMENT " A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1741, L.D. 2405, Bill, "An Act Regarding Importation of Liquor"

Amend the amendment by inserting after section 2 the following:

'Sec. 3. 32 MRSA §1865, sub-§2, as amended by PL 1989, c. 427, §2, is further amended to read:

2. **Brand name.** Glass beverage containers having a refund value of not less than 5¢ and having a brand name permanently marked thereon, shall not be required to comply with the provisions of subsection 1. The exception provided by this subsection does not apply to glass beverage containers that contain spirits, wine or malt liquor as those terms are defined by Title 28-A, section 2.

**Sec. 4. Applicability.** Section 2 of this Act as it applies to wine, defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 28-A, section 2, is effective September 1, 1990.'

STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment amends the bottle bill to ensure that glass containers that contain spirits, wine or malt liquor are labeled in a manner that allows enforcement of state law regarding illegal importation or transportation of liquor.

The amendment also clarifies that possession of wine not labeled under the State's bottle bill is not prima facie evidence of illegal transportation or importation of wine until wine is required to be labeled under the bottle bill.

(Senator MATTHEWS)  
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