

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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House of Representatives, January 7, 1992

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.
Reference to the Committee on Legal Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Ed Pert'.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative JOSEPH of Waterville.

Cosponsored by Representative KERR of Old Orchard Beach, Senator BERUBE of Androscoggin and Representative GRAY of Sedgwick.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-TWO

An Act to Reorganize the Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages.

(EMERGENCY)



2 **Emergency preamble.** Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not
become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted
as emergencies; and

4 Whereas, the present state fiscal situation requires that
6 the Legislature take all prudent fiscal steps to reduce
government expenditures; and

8 Whereas, the health and welfare of the people of Maine are
10 enhanced by a consolidation of the operations of the Bureau of
Alcoholic Beverages, resulting in increased attention to
12 licensing issues; and

14 Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts
create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of
16 Maine and require the following legislation as immediately
necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and
18 safety; now, therefore,

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

22 **Sec. 1. 28-A MRSA §73 is enacted to read:**

24 **§73. Organization of the bureau**

26 The bureau is organized into 2 functional sections.

28 1. Licensing. The licensing section is responsible for
licensing agency stores and licensees, liquor tax auditing and
30 overseeing malt liquor and wine operations.

32 2. Merchandising. The merchandising section is responsible
for retail store management and operations.

34 **Sec. 2. Positions abolished.** The following positions within the
36 Department of Finance, Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages are
abolished: Deputy Director, Clerk Typist III, Retail Store
38 Operations Director, Carpenter Foreman and 3 Retail Store
Supervisor positions.

40 **Sec. 3. Positions established.** The following positions within
42 the Department of Finance, Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages are
established: two Licensing Agents, at pay grade 16.

44 **Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the
46 preamble, this Act takes effect July 1, 1992.

STATEMENT OF FACT

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4 This bill directs the Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages to
6 organize itself into 2 functional sections, licensing and
 merchandising. Seven positions are eliminated and 2 new
 positions for Licensing Agents are established.