

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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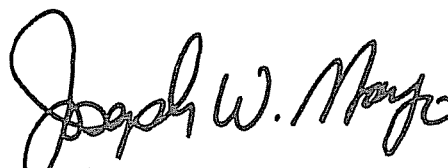
House of Representatives, February 9, 1993

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**An Act to Limit the Size of Agency Liquor Stores.**

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Reference to the Committee on Legal Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

  
JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative DORE of Auburn.

Cosponsored by Representatives: LIBBY of Buxton, MICHAEL of Auburn.

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

Sec. 1. 28-A MRSA §452, sub-§6, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 45, Pt. A, §4, is amended to read:

6. **Size and nature of facilities.** The size and nature of the facilities of agency liquor stores for different quantities of liquor to be sold, subject to section 452-A; and

**Sec. 2. 28-A MRSa §452-A is enacted to read:**

§452-A. Size limits for agency stores

The commission may license as agency liquor stores only those stores that, in addition to meeting the other requirements of this chapter, are smaller than 5,000 square feet in total area, retail and storage space included.

**Sec. 3. Transition provision.** The licenses of all agency liquor stores that exceed the size limitations imposed by this Act terminate on their next annual renewal date after the effective date of this Act. The State Liquor Commission may select an alternate licensee in accordance with the criteria set forth in commission rules and the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 28-A, sections 452-A and 453, pursuant to the procedures of Title 28-A, section 453-A.

## STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill limits to less than 5,000 square feet the total floor area of stores licensed as agency liquor stores. A transition provision provides that the licenses of stores that exceed this size limit will terminate on their next annual renewal date after the effective date of this bill.