

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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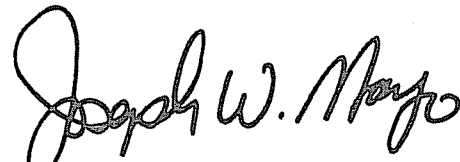
H.P. 376

House of Representatives, February 16, 1993

**An Act Relating to Credit Terms for Retail Liquor Licensees.**

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

  
JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative DiPIETRO of South Portland.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: ALIBERTI of Lewiston, DUTREMBLE of Biddeford, KERR of Old Orchard Beach, LORD of Waterboro, TARDY of Palmyra, VIGUE of Winslow, YOUNG of Limestone.

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

4 Sec. 1. 28-A MRSA §707-A is enacted to read:

6 **§707-A. Permitted credit terms**

8 Notwithstanding section 707, a wholesale licensee may extend  
10 credit on purchases of malt beverages and table wine to a retail  
12 licensee for 30 calendar days from the date of delivery.  
14 Wholesale licensees shall report immediately to the Bureau of  
16 Alcoholic Beverages and Lottery Operations a retail licensee who  
18 fails to pay within 30 days of the date of delivery for malt  
20 beverages and table wine purchased under this section. The  
22 retail licensee is prohibited from purchasing any malt beverages  
24 or table wine until the indebtedness is fully paid.

18 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

20 This bill allows but does not require wholesale liquor  
22 sellers to extend credit to retail liquor sellers for 30 days for  
24 the purchase of malt beverages and table wine. Retail sellers  
26 who fail to pay the balance within 30 days of delivery must be  
reported to the Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages and Lottery  
Operations are prohibited from making additional purchases until  
their indebtedness is paid in full.