

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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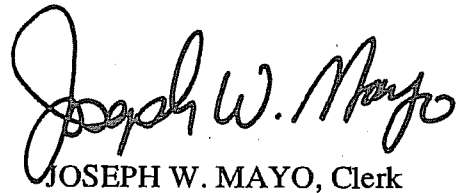
H.P. 696

House of Representatives, March 18, 1993

**An Act to Amend the Liquor Laws.**

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

  
JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative BARTH of Bethel.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BENNETT of Norway, BOWERS of Washington, GRAY of Sedgwick, LEMKE of Westbrook, MICHAEL of Auburn, PLOWMAN of Hampden, STEVENS of Sabattus, TRUE of Fryeburg, VIGUE of Winslow, Senator: CAREY of Kennebec.

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

4 Sec. 1. 28-A MRSA §2, sub-§15, ¶R-1 is enacted to read:

6 R-1. "Seasonal Class A restaurant and lounge" means a  
8 restaurant and lounge that operates for at least 6 months as  
a Class A restaurant and remains open as a lounge during the  
remaining portion of the year.

10 Sec. 2. 28-A MRSA §1013 is enacted to read:

12 **§1013. Seasonal Class A restaurant and lounge license**

14 1. Types of liquor that may be sold. A seasonal Class A  
16 restaurant and lounge, as defined in subsection 15, paragraph  
R-1, may sell spirits, wine and malt liquor to be consumed on the  
18 premises.

20 2. Fee. The fee for a seasonal Class A restaurant and  
lounge is \$1,100.

22 Sec. 3. 28-A MRSA §1065-A is enacted to read:

24 **§1065-A. License for a seasonal Class A restaurant and lounge**

26 1. Issuance of licenses. The commission may issue licenses  
28 under this section for the sale of spirits, wine and malt liquor  
to be consumed on the premises to seasonal Class A restaurants  
30 and lounges as defined in section 2, subsection 15, paragraph R-1.

32 2. Food availability. The licensee shall offer food for  
sale to the public at all times that liquor is for sale.

34 3. Income from sale of food requirement. At least 10% of  
the gross annual income must be from the sale of food.

36 4. Minors not allowed on premises. Minors are not  
38 permitted to remain on the premises of the lounge area except  
40 when:

42 A. The minor is accompanied by a parent, legal guardian or  
custodian as defined in Title 22, section 4002; or

44 B. The licensee does not permit consumption of liquor on  
the premises for a specific period of time or event.

46 5. Licensed by Department of Human Services. All seasonal  
48 Class A restaurants and lounges must be licensed by the  
Department of Human Services.

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## STATEMENT OF FACT

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4 This bill authorizes a liquor license for an establishment that operates at least 6 months as a Class A restaurant and is open as a lounge during the remaining portion of the year.