

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 117th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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No. 106

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H.P. 70

House of Representatives, January 17, 1995

**An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Agency Liquor Stores by  
Repealing the Bidding Process.**

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

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative TUFTS of Stockton Springs.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: CLARK of Millinocket, DEXTER of Kingfield,  
DRISCOLL of Calais, GOULD of Greenville, GREENLAW of Standish, LIBBY of Buxton,  
LOOK of Jonesboro, McELROY of Unity, MORRISON of Bangor, MURPHY of Berwick,  
NICKERSON of Turner, PLOWMAN of Hampden, RICE of South Bristol, THOMPSON of  
Naples, WATERHOUSE of Bridgton, Senators: ABROMSON of Cumberland, BEGLEY of  
Lincoln, FERGUSON of Oxford.

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

2           **Sec. 1. 28-A MRSA §453-A, sub-§1,** as amended by PL 1993, c.  
4 509, §3, is repealed.

6           **Sec. 2. 28-A MRSA §453-A, sub-§1-A,** as enacted by PL 1993, c.  
8 509, §4, is repealed.

10           **Sec. 3. 28-A MRSA §453-A, sub-§§2 and 5,** as enacted by PL  
12 1991, c. 622, Pt. K, §6, are amended to read:

14           **2. Public notice and solicitation of bids.** The commission  
16 shall, in accordance with the Maine Administrative Procedure Act,  
18 give public notice that an agency liquor store may be established  
20 in a particular municipality or unincorporated place. The  
22 ~~commission shall summarize in the public notice the bidding~~  
~~requirements for the agency store license, including the minimum~~  
~~bid required.~~ The commission shall request all parties in the  
municipality or unincorporated place interested in ~~bidding on~~  
applying for a license to establish an agency liquor store there  
to submit bids and applications to the commission.

24           **5. Licensing decisions.** The commission shall conduct an  
26 investigation to determine the feasibility of the location and  
28 type of facility for the agency liquor store and shall issue the  
license to one or more of the applicants, ~~taking into~~  
~~consideration the bid offered and any other factors the~~  
~~commission considers appropriate.~~

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32                                   **STATEMENT OF FACT**

34           This bill repeals the bidding process that an applicant must  
36 go through when applying for an agency liquor store license.