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**An Act to Allow Smoking in One-room Establishments with Lunch
Counters That Post Smoking Signs.**

Received by the Clerk of the House on April 18, 1995. Referred to the Committee on Human Resources and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 14.

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

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative DORE of Auburn.
Cosponsored by Representatives: DAGGETT of Augusta, KONTOS of Windham.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §1579-A, sub-§1, ¶A,** as enacted by PL 1987, c.
5 191, is amended to read:

6 A. "Restaurant" means any enclosed indoor restaurant or
7 other enclosed indoor establishment ~~which~~ that invites the
8 public to be served food for consumption on the premises,
9 including establishments with lunch counters.

10 **Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §1579-A, sub-§2, ¶D** is enacted to read:

11 D. Notwithstanding paragraphs A and B, restaurants that
12 contain seating for 25 patrons or less entirely within one
13 room may designate the entire room for smoking provided they
14 display prominently, at or near the entrance, a sign
15 indicating that smoking is allowed in all of the restaurant.
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19 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

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21 This bill allows restaurants and establishments with lunch
22 counters that seat 25 patrons or less to designate the entire
23 restaurant for smoking use if they post a sign at or near the
24 entrance stating that smoking is allowed in all of the restaurant.