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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " A " to S.P. 222, L.D. 644, Bill, "An Act to Provide Opportunity for an Increase in Wine-tasting Locations for Farm Wineries"

Amend the bill by inserting after the enacting clause the following:

Sec. 1. 28-A MRSA §709, sub-§1, ¶A, as amended by PL 1997, c. 501, §2, is further amended to read:

- A. No licensee or employee or agent of a licensee may:
 - (1) Offer or deliver any free liquor to any person or group of persons;
 - (2) Deliver more than 2 drinks, ~~or a pitcher of malt liquor or carafe of wine containing more than one liter or 33.8 ounces containing spirits, a carafe containing more than one liter or 33.8 ounces of wine, or any serving or pitcher containing more than one liter or 33.8 ounces of malt liquor,~~ to one person at one time;
 - (3) Sell, offer to sell or deliver to any person or group of persons an unlimited number of drinks for a fixed price, except at private functions not open to the public;
 - (4) Encourage or permit, on the licensed premises, any game or contest that involves drinking or the awarding of drinks as prizes; or

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2 (5) Any other practice the specific purpose of which
3 is to encourage customers of the licensee to drink to
4 excess; and'

6 Further amend the bill in section 1 in paragraph C in the
7 3rd line (page 1, line 8 in L.D.) by striking out the following:
8 "4" and inserting in its place the following: '2'

10 Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the
11 summary the following:

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·FISCAL NOTE

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15 Allowing a holder of a farm winery license to apply for up
16 to 2 additional licenses will result in insignificant increases
17 of General Fund revenue from license fees.'

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SUMMARY

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23 This amendment amends the original bill by decreasing the
24 number of additional locations for the tasting of wine a farm
25 winery licensee may apply for from 4 to 2. It clarifies language
26 pertaining to serving limits of spirits, wine and malt liquor to
 one person at one time. It also adds a fiscal note to the bill.