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H.P. 913

House of Representatives, February 16, 1999

**An Act to Amend the Liquor Licensing Laws Regarding Bed and
Breakfasts.**

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative COWGER of Hallowell.
Cosponsored by Senator HARRIMAN of Cumberland and
Representatives: FISHER of Brewer, LEMONT of Kittery, MAYO of Bath, MITCHELL of
Vassalboro, PIEH of Bremen, TESSIER of Fairfield, WHEELER of Eliot, Senator:
GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock.

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

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Sec. 1. 28-A MRSA §1001, sub-§3, ¶B-2 is enacted to read:

B-2. Bed and breakfasts:

Sec. 2. 28-A MRSA §1012, sub-§3, as amended by PL 1987, c. 623, §13, is further amended to read:

3. Off-premise catering license. A Class A restaurant, hotel, bed and breakfast or club licensed to sell spirits, wine and malt liquor may obtain a license to conduct off-premise catering of spirits, wine and malt liquor as provided in section 1052.

A. The license fee per calendar day of the event or gathering is\$10.

Sec. 3. 28-A MRSA §1052, sub-§1, as amended by PL 1993, c. 730, §40, is further amended to read:

1. Off-premise catering license for sale of liquor off-premise. Class A restaurants, Class A lounges, Class A restaurant/lounges, hotels, bed and breakfasts and clubs licensed to sell spirits, wine and malt liquor may apply for an additional license to conduct off-premises catering of spirits, wine and malt liquor at planned events or gatherings to be held at locations other than the licensee's premises under this section.

Sec. 4. 28-A MRSA §1061-A, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 730, §41, is repealed.

SUMMARY

This bill amends the licensing requirements for bed and breakfasts to:

1. Allow a bed and breakfast to obtain a Class I liquor license;

2. Allow a bed and breakfast to obtain an off-premise catering license; and

3. Remove the restriction that a bed and breakfast may only serve liquor to bona fide registered patrons and the patron's guests.