

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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119th MAINE LEGISLATURE

SECOND REGULAR SESSION-1999

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No. 2298

S.P. 883

In Senate, December 15, 1999

An Act to Clarify the Law Relating to the Renewal of Liquor Licenses.

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

Received by the Secretary of the Senate on December 15, 1999. Referred to the Committee on Legal and Veterans Affairs and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator DAGGETT of Kennebec.
Cosponsored by Senator LaFOUNTAIN of York, Representative: BRENNAN of Portland.

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

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4 **Sec. 1. 28-A MRSA §653, sub-§1, ¶C**, as enacted by PL 1995, c.
140, §5, is amended to read:

6 C. If the municipal officers or the county commissioners,
8 as the case may be, fail to take final action on an
10 application for a new on-premise license, for transfer of
12 the location of an existing on-premise license or for
14 renewal of an on-premise license in a case in which the
16 existing license is not extended pending renewal within 60
18 days of the filing of an application, the application is
20 deemed approved and ready for action by the bureau. For
 purposes of this paragraph, the date of filing of the
 application is the date the application is received by the
 municipal officers or county commissioners. This paragraph
 applies to all applications pending before municipal
 officers or county commissioners as of the effective date of
 this paragraph as well as all applications filed on or after
 the effective date of this paragraph.

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SUMMARY

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26 This bill clarifies that the provision establishing a 60-day
28 automatic renewal of a liquor license does not apply when an
 applicant for renewal has an existing license that is extended
 while the application is being processed.