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FIRST REGULAR SESSION-2001

An Act to Specify the Permissible Hours for Sale of Liquor By Wholesale Licensees.

Submitted by the Department of Public Safety pursuant to Joint Rule 204.
Reference to the Committee on Legal and Veterans Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator DOUGLASS of Androscoggin.
Cosponsored by Representative TUTTLE of Sanford and
Representatives: CHIZMAR of Lisbon, COTE of Lewiston, HEIDRICH of Oxford,
LABRECQUE of Gorham, MAYO of Bath.

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

Sec. 1. 28-A MRSA §4, sub-§1, as amended by PL 1995, c. 159, §1, is further amended to read:

1. Hours for sale of liquor. Except as provided in paragraphs A and B, licensees may sell or deliver liquor from 6 a.m. on any day until 1 a.m. of the following day. Wholesale licensees may sell or deliver liquor to licensed establishments from 4 a.m. on any day until 1 a.m. the following day.

A. Licensees may not sell liquor on Sunday between the hours of 6 a.m. and 9 a.m.

B. Licensees may sell liquor on January 1st of any year from 12 midnight to 2 a.m.

(1) In areas in which liquor may be sold except on Sundays, if January 1st falls on a Monday, licensees may sell or deliver liquor between 9 p.m. Sunday, December 31st and 2 a.m. January 1st, notwithstanding any local option decisions to the contrary.

SUMMARY

This bill specifies that wholesale licensees may sell or deliver liquor to licensed establishments from 4 a.m. on any day until 1 a.m. the following day.