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	SENATE AMENDMENT " A " to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P.				
16	1260, L.D. 1820, Bill, "An Act To Allow Small Businesses To				
1.0	Participate in Liquor Sales"				
18	Amend the amendment by striking out everything after the				
20	title and before the summary and inserting in its place the				
20	following:				
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	'Amend the bill by striking out everything after the				
24	enacting clause and before the summary and inserting in its place				
	the following:				
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	'Sec. 1. 28-A MRSA §453-A, sub-§5, as amended by PL 2001, c.				
28	711, §5, is further amended to read:				
30	5. Licensing decisions. The bureau shall conduct an				
30	5. Licensing decisions. The bureau shall conduct an investigation to determine the feasibility of the location and				
32	type of facility for the agency liquor store and shall issue the				
	license to one or more of the applicants, taking into				
34	consideration the absence of an existing agency liquor store with				
	less than 3,000 square feet of retail space in a downtown				
36	location and any other factors the bureau considers appropriate.				
	The bureau is not required to consider the availability of				
38	parking spaces for motor vehicles for the issuance of an agency				
40	liquor store license to a store with less than 3,000 square feet of retail space in a downtown location. When considering the				
40	issuance of a license, the bureau shall consider the proximity of				
42	the proposed agency store to existing agency stores and the				
	potential impact the location of the proposed agency store may				
44	have on an existing agency store. The bureau may deny a license				

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SENATE AMENDMENT

SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1260, L.D. 1820

if the bureau determines the proposed agency store location is in too close proximity to an existing agency store. For purposes of this subsection, "downtown" has the same meaning as in Title 30-A, section 4301, subsection 5-A,' '

SUMMARY

This amendment removes the provision of the bill that permitted an increase in the number of agency liquor stores in a 10 town with a population of less than 20,000. This amendment 12 requires that when determining the feasibility of the location of an agency liquor store the licensing division within the Department of Public Safety shall consider as part of its 14 investigation the absence of an existing agency store with less 16 than 3,000 square feet of retail space in a downtown location. The licensing division is not required to consider the availability of parking spaces for the issuance of a license for 18 such stores.

22 SPONSORED BY: 24 (Senator GAGNON)

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An Act to Allow Small Businesses to Particpate in Liquor Sales

Fiscal Note for Senate Amendment "A" to Committee Amendment 'A" Sponsor: Sen. Gagnon Fiscal Note Required: Yes

	Fiscal Note			
	2005-06	2006-07	Projections 2007-08	Projections 2008-09
Net Cost (Savings) General Fund	\$0	\$60,000	\$10,500	\$10,500
Revenue General Fund	\$0	(\$60,000)	(\$10,500)	(\$10,500)

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This amendment deletes the provisions which would have allowed the licensure of additional agency liquor stores; thereby eliminating the projected increase of General Fund revenue by \$60,000 in fiscal year 2006-07 and by \$10,500 for each fiscal year thereafter.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED (See attached)