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S.P. 73

In Senate, January 24, 2017

An Act To Exclude Cardboard Beverage Containers from the Laws Governing Returnable Beverage Containers

Reference to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources suggested and ordered printed.

HEATHER J.R. PRIEST Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator SAVIELLO of Franklin. Cosponsored by Representative BLACK of Wilton.

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

- **Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §3102, sub-§2,** as enacted by PL 2015, c. 166, §14, is amended to read:
- 2. Beverage container. "Beverage container" means a bottle, can, jar or other container made of glass, metal or plastic that has been sealed by a manufacturer and at the time of sale contains 4 liters or less of a beverage. "Beverage container" does not include a container composed, in whole or in part, of aluminum and plastic or aluminum and paper in combination as long as the aluminum content represents 10% or less of the unfilled container weight, the container materials represent 5% or less of the total weight of the container and its contents and the container is filled with a nonalcoholic beverage. "Beverage container" does not include a container composed of compressed recycled cardboard in combination with a plastic liner.

13 SUMMARY

This bill excludes from the definition of "beverage container" in the laws governing returnable beverage containers a container composed of compressed recycled cardboard with a plastic liner.