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House of Representatives, February 28, 2017

An Act Extending the Time Period for Municipalities To Approve Marijuana Businesses

Reference to the Joint Select Committee on Marijuana Legalization Implementation
suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative BLUME of York.
Cosponsored by Representatives: AUSTIN of Skowhegan, CARDONE of Bangor, COOPER
of Yarmouth, COREY of Windham, FOLEY of Wells, GRANT of Gardiner.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 7 MRSA §2449, sub-§4**, as enacted by IB 2015, c. 5, §1, is amended to
3 read:

4 **4. Municipality may impose licensing requirement.** A municipality may impose a
5 separate local licensing requirement as a part of its restrictions on time, place, manner and
6 the number of marijuana businesses. A municipality may decline to impose any local
7 licensing requirements, but a municipality shall notify the state licensing authority that it
8 either approves or denies each application forwarded to it within ~~14~~ 60 business days.

9 **SUMMARY**

10 This bill extends the time period, from 14 business days to 60 business days, within
11 which a municipality is required to either approve or deny an application for a marijuana
12 business.