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5 **STATE OF MAINE**

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7 **128TH LEGISLATURE**

8 **SECOND REGULAR SESSION**

9 COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 642, L.D. 1743, Bill, "An Act To  
10 Modify the Number of Retail Liquor Licenses Allowed in a Jurisdiction per Person"

11 Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

12 **'An Act To Increase the Number of Agency Liquor Store Licenses in Larger**  
13 **Municipalities'**

14 Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting the  
15 following:

16 **'Sec. 1. 28-A MRSA §453, sub-§2-A, as repealed and replaced by PL 2015, c.**  
17 **494, Pt. A, §31, is amended to read:**

18 **2-A. Limitation on number of agency liquor stores.** ~~Beginning July 1, 2009, the~~  
19 The bureau may license up to 11 agency liquor stores in a municipality with a population  
20 over 60,000; up to 10 agency liquor stores in a municipality with a population over  
21 45,000 but less than 60,001; up to 9 agency liquor stores in a municipality with a  
22 population over 30,000 but less than 45,001; up to 8 agency liquor stores in a  
23 municipality with a population over 20,000 but less than 30,001; up to 5 agency liquor  
24 stores in a municipality with a population of at least 10,001 but less than 20,001; up to 4  
25 agency liquor stores in a municipality with a population of at least 5,001 but less than  
26 10,001; up to 3 agency liquor stores in a municipality with a population of at least 2,000  
27 but less than 5,001; and one agency liquor store in a municipality where the with a  
28 population is less than 2,000. The bureau may issue one additional agency liquor store  
29 license beyond those otherwise authorized by this subsection in a municipality with a  
30 population of less than 10,000. The bureau may consider the impact of seasonal  
31 population or tourism and other related information provided by the municipality  
32 requesting an additional agency liquor store license.

33 Nothing in this subsection may be construed to reduce the number of agency liquor stores  
34 the bureau may license in a municipality as of June 30, 2009.'

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 642, L.D. 1743

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**SUMMARY**

This amendment replaces the bill, which is a concept draft. The amendment provides that the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages and Lottery Operations may license up to 11 agency liquor stores in a municipality with a population over 60,000. Under current law, the maximum number of agency liquor stores that may be licensed in a municipality with a population over 45,000 is 10.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

(See attached)



# 128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1743

LR 2573(02)

**An Act To Modify the Number of Retail Liquor Licenses Allowed in a Jurisdiction per Person**

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-382)**  
**Committee: Veterans and Legal Affairs**  
**Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

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## Fiscal Note

Minor revenue increase - General Fund

### Fiscal Detail and Notes

Under current law a municipality with a population over 45,000 may have up to 10 liquor stores. This legislation allows up to 11 agency liquor stores in a municipality with a population over 60,000. The number of agency liquor stores allowed in municipalities with other population ranges remains unchanged from current law. Any additional revenue to the Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages and Lottery Operations as a result of additional liquor licenses is expected to be minor.