



129th MAINE LEGISLATURE

FIRST REGULAR SESSION-2019

Legislative Document

No. 217

H.P. 180

House of Representatives, January 22, 2019

An Act To Aid Certain Veterans' Organizations

Reference to the Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

R(+ B. Hunt

ROBERT B. HUNT Clerk

Presented by Representative SYLVESTER of Portland. Cosponsored by Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, COLLINGS of Portland, DENNO of Cumberland, FARNSWORTH of Portland, HANDY of Lewiston, HANLEY of Pittston, McCREA of Fort Fairfield, RISEMAN of Harrison. 1 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

17

Sec. 1. 28-A MRSA §1072, sub-§5, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 45, Pt. A, §4, is
 amended to read:

- 5. Sale of liquor only to members and guests; exception. Except as provided in
 paragraph A or B, licensed clubs may not sell liquor to anyone except members and their
 guests accompanying them.
- A. Licensed veterans' and fraternal organizations and social clubs may sell liquor to
 members of the same national or affiliated international organization and to members
 of auxiliaries of the same national or affiliated international organization and their
 guests accompanying them.
- B. At the discretion of and by agreement with the commissioner, a licensed veterans' organization may, subject to time-of-day and seasonal limitations defined at the time of license approval, sell liquor to the general public if the organization has a valid license and is located in a municipality with fewer than 5,000 residents or is located on an island off the coast of the State that is provided with ferry service pursuant to Title 23, Part 6 and Title 35-A, chapter 51.
 - SUMMARY

This bill allows a licensed veterans' organization, at the discretion of and by agreement with the Commissioner of Administrative and Financial Services, to sell liquor to the general public, subject to time-of-day and seasonal limitations defined at the time of license approval, if the organization has a valid license and is located in a municipality with fewer than 5,000 residents or is located on an island off the coast of the State that is provided with ferry service pursuant to state law.