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House of Representatives, December 24, 2019

An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Dual Liquor Licenses

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

Received by the Clerk of the House on December 20, 2019. Referred to the Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 401.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "R B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative CROCKETT of Portland.
Cosponsored by Senator SANBORN, H. of Cumberland and
Representatives: CARNEY of Cape Elizabeth, CUDDY of Winterport, FECTEAU of
Biddeford, HUBBELL of Bar Harbor, McCREIGHT of Harpswell, SCHNECK of Bangor,
SYLVESTER of Portland, TALBOT ROSS of Portland.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 28-A MRSA §1208, sub-§2, ¶B**, as reallocated by PL 2009, c. 510, §7, is
3 repealed.

4 **Sec. 2. 28-A MRSA §1208, sub-§2, ¶C**, as reallocated by PL 2009, c. 510, §7, is
5 amended to read:

6 C. Wine may be served only ~~to be consumed on the premises when accompanied by~~
7 ~~a full meal~~ if a full meal is available for purchase and consumption on the premises.
8 For the purposes of this paragraph, "full meal" means a diversified selection of food
9 that cannot ordinarily be consumed without the use of tableware and cannot be
10 conveniently consumed while standing or walking;

11 **Sec. 3. 28-A MRSA §1208, sub-§2, ¶E**, as reallocated by PL 2009, c. 510, §7, is
12 amended to read:

13 E. A licensee may not serve wine to be consumed on the premises after ~~8:00~~ 10:00
14 p.m.

15 **SUMMARY**

16 This bill makes changes to the laws governing dual liquor licenses. It allows a
17 licensee to serve wine until 10 p.m., rather than until 8 p.m. It removes the restriction
18 that wine may be served to be consumed on the premises only when accompanied by a
19 full meal and instead requires only that a full meal be available for purchase and
20 consumption. It removes the requirement that a licensee have 2 employees at least 21
21 years of age present at all times in order to serve wine for on-premises consumption and
22 sell wine for off-premises consumption.