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S.P. 233

In Senate, March 5, 2021

**An Act To Reduce State Licensing Fees for Maine Bars and
Restaurants by 50 Percent for a 12-month Period**

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D M Grant'.

DAREK M. GRANT
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot.

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

2 **Sec. 1. Twelve-month reduction of liquor license fees.** Notwithstanding any
3 provision of the law to the contrary, a first-time applicant or an applicant for renewal of a
4 retail license for on-premises liquor consumption issued by the Department of
5 Administrative and Financial Services, Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages and Lottery
6 Operations under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 28-A, chapters 41 and 43 may be
7 charged only 50% of the statutory fee for that license. The reduction under this section is
8 in effect for a period of 12 months after the day this section takes effect.

9 **SUMMARY**

10 This bill reduces licensing fees of the Department of Administrative and Financial
11 Services, Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages and Lottery Operations by 50% for 12 months
12 for retail licensees for on-premises liquor consumption.