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S.P. 609

In Senate, December 2, 2021

**An Act To Make Permanent the Changes to the Liquor Laws Made
by Public Law 2021, Chapters 3 and 91**

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

Received by the Secretary of the Senate on November 30, 2021. Referred to the Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 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 LUCHINI of Hancock.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 28-A MRSA §1056, sub-§3,** as enacted by PL 2021, c. 3, §1, is repealed.

3 **Sec. 2. 28-A MRSA §1355-A, sub-§5, ¶F-1,** as enacted by PL 2021, c. 91, §1, is
4 amended to read:

5 F-1. A distillery or small distillery may sell to the public for on-premises consumption
6 cocktails containing samples of spirits produced by the distillery or small distillery
7 under the conditions specified in this paragraph.

8 (1) A cocktail may be sold only at the manufacturing facility where the spirits are
9 produced or at an additional location licensed under paragraph B, subparagraph
10 (3).

11 (2) The distillery or small distillery may include wine or spirits not manufactured
12 by the distillery or small distillery as an ingredient in the cocktail only if the
13 distillery or small distillery purchased the wine or spirits from an agency liquor
14 store licensed as a reselling agent.

15 (3) A cocktail may not contain more than 4 1/2 ounces of spirits.

16 ~~This paragraph is repealed September 10, 2022.~~

17 **SUMMARY**

18 This bill makes permanent the changes to the liquor laws made by Public Law 2021,
19 chapters 3 and 91, which were to be repealed September 10, 2022, allowing qualified on-
20 premises retailers and qualified distilleries to sell liquor for off-premises consumption
21 under certain conditions and the sale of cocktails for on-premises consumption at
22 distilleries and small distilleries.