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In Senate, November 6, 1934.

Referred to Committee on Temperance and sent down for concurrence.  
1000 copies ordered printed.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Viles of Kennebec.

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED THIRTY-  
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**AN ACT Authorizing the Licensing of Distilleries, Breweries and Wineries**

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

The Maine State Liquor Commission is authorized and empowered to issue licenses for the manufacture of alcoholic liquor either distilled, spirituous, vinous or fermented to distillers, brewers and wineries operating under authority of Federal law and under Federal supervision. Distillers and brewers using exclusively the agricultural products of the State of Maine as raw material for the production of alcohol or alcoholic liquors shall pay an annual license fee of \$100.00. Distillers and brewers using exclusively the products of other states as raw material shall pay an annual license fee of \$3,000.00.

Distillers and brewers using in part the agricultural products of Maine, and in part those of other states as raw material, shall pay such fees as the Commission may determine, to be directly proportioned as to the source and quantity of such raw material, and based upon the foregoing differential.

Wineries using exclusively the agricultural products of the State of Maine as raw material shall pay an annual license fee of \$50.00. Wineries using in part the agricultural products of other states or foreign countries shall pay in addition to such license fee of \$50.00, an excise tax of 4c per

gallon on liquid raw materials, and 2c per pound on solid or semi-solid raw materials. The importation into the State of raw materials for distilleries, breweries and wineries shall be solely upon special permits issued by the State Liquor Commission, and all excise taxes as herein levied shall be due and payable at the time of importation.

The Commission shall in its purchases of alcoholic liquors give priority, wherever feasible, to those made from the agricultural products of the State of Maine.