

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H. P. 688

House of Representatives, January 30, 1935.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs, sent up for concurrence and 500 copies ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Tupper of Calais.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
THIRTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, chapter 300 of the public laws of 1933, enacted at the special session of November 6 to 10, 1934, was enacted as an emergency, and

Whereas, certain limitations provided in said law make it impossible to carry out its provisions, and

Whereas, the funds provided are insufficient for the purposes of said law, and

Whereas, there is urgent necessity for proper legislation to provide immediately for regulating the sale of intoxicating liquors and to enable residents of the state to procure such liquors for medicinal purposes therein, and

Whereas, in the judgment of the legislature these facts constitute an emergency within the meaning of the constitution of the state of Maine and further require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety,

Now therefore,

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

R. S., c. 300, § 12, amended. Section 12 of chapter 300 of the public laws of 1933 is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

Sec. 12. Determination of profits and distribution. The fiscal year for the operation of said stores shall close each year upon the 30th day of June beginning in the year 1935; and the annual net profits from the operation of said stores shall be determined as of that date. The amount of said annual net profits shall be determined by the commission, subject to audit by the state controller, and when so determined and audited shall become general revenue of the state; provided, however, that the net profits made prior to the close of books June 30, 1935 shall be used in establishing a working capital for the purposes of carrying on the activities as provided in this act, and further provided, however, for each 5 years commencing July 1, 1935 in determining the annual net profit of the stores for said year the sum of \$50,000 shall first be deducted from the gross receipts and repaid into the state treasury to reimburse it for the \$250,000 hereinbefore appropriated from the general funds of the state to provide operating capital under this act.'

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.