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NINETY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

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In Senate, February 13, 1947.

Referred to Committee on Temperance. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary.

Presented by Mr. Morrill of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FORTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Preventing Drinking in Public Places.

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

R. S., c. 57, § 96-A, additional. Chapter 57 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section, to be numbered 96-A, to read as follows:

'Sec. 96-A. Drinking in public places forbidden; definition; penalty.

- I. Any person taking a drink of liquor or offering a drink of liquor to another or knowingly permitting drinking at or in a public place, or any person taking a drink of liquor or offering a drink of liquor in any vehicle shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$10 nor more than \$200.
- II. "Public place" as used in this section shall mean any building, conveyance, dance or entertainment to which the public is invited or has access; also any highway, street, lane, park or place of resort, amusement or sport to which the public has access.
- III. The provisions of subsection I shall not prevent any person from drinking liquor in boats, railroad cars, clubs, hotels or restaurants licensed for on-premise sale of liquor, provided the liquor drunk or offered in such licensed premises is purchased therein and consumed in rooms designated in the license as rooms where liquor may be consumed.