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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Williams of Auburn.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FORTY-SEVEN

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**AN ACT Changing the Definition of a Hotel for the Purposes of Liquor  
Licenses.**

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

**R. S., c. 57, § 1, amended.** The 8th paragraph of section 1 of chapter 57 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Hotel” shall mean any reputable place operated by responsible persons of good reputation, where the public ~~may~~, for a consideration, ~~obtain~~ **obtains** sleeping accommodations and meals **under one roof** and which has a public dining-room or rooms operated by the same management **open and serving food during the morning, afternoon and evening**, and a kitchen, apart from the public dining-room or rooms, in which food is regularly prepared for the public on the same premises. **Each such hotel shall be equipped with at least 10 adequate sleeping rooms when it is located in a municipality of 3,000 or less population, 20 such sleeping rooms when located in municipalities having population of from 3,000 to 7,500 and 30 such sleeping rooms when located in municipalities having more than 7,500 population.** All such rooms shall be in addition to rooms used by the owner or his employees. Each such hotel shall be open for the convenience

of the traveling public 7 days per week and a reasonable proportion of the gross income of each such hotel shall be derived from rental of rooms and sale of food.

No additional requirements imposed by the provisions of this section shall affect premises licensed at the time of the effective date of this act and nothing in this section shall be held to prevent the commission from issuing summer or part-time licenses to bona summer hotels where accommodations and meals are not provided under one roof, provided that such hotel can in no way be classed as over-night camps, and provided further, that no liquor shall be served or delivered by the licensee, his servants or agents to guests in rooms outside of the main building.'