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House of Representatives, April 7, 1947

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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

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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 Relating to Indebtedness of Wholesalers of Liquors.**

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

**R. S., c. 57, § 56, amended.** Section 56 of chapter 57 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

**‘Sec. 56. Licensee not to be indebted, obligated or involved.** No person **including wholesalers** shall be issued a license or a renewal of a license if he shall be indebted in any manner directly or indirectly to any other person for liquor. It shall be unlawful for any licensee or any applicant for license directly or indirectly to receive any money, credit, thing of value, indorsement of commercial paper, guarantee of credit or financial assistance of any sort from any person, association or corporation within or without the state if such person, association or corporation shall be engaged directly or indirectly in the manufacture, distribution, sale, storage or transportation of liquor; or if such person, association or corporation shall be engaged in the manufacture, distribution, sale or transportation of any commodity, equipment, material or advertisement used in connection with the manufacture, distribution, sale, storage or transportation of liquor. No license shall be issued for any premises in which any interest whatsoever is owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by any person, association or corporation within or without the state engaged or interested

directly or indirectly in the manufacture, distribution, sale or transportation of liquor. ~~This section shall not prohibit a wholesaler from receiving normal credits for the purchase of malt liquor from the manufacturer thereof within or without the state.~~