

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H. P. 192

House of Representatives, January 28, 1953

Referred to the Committee on Liquor Control. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Christie of Presque Isle.

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**STATE OF MAINE**

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FIFTY-THREE

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**AN ACT Relating to Limitation of Liquor Licenses.**

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

**R. S., c. 57, § 22-G, additional.** Chapter 57 of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 22-G, to read as follows :

**‘Sec. 22-G. Limitation of number of liquor licenses; exceptions. The commissioner shall not issue in any city, town or incorporated place any new, full-year licenses in excess of the following proportions:**

- I. One license for sale of malt liquor at retail not to be consumed on licensed premises, to each 500 population or major fraction thereof;
- II. One license for sale of malt liquor to be consumed on the licensed premises in restaurants and clubs to each 1,200 population or major fraction thereof;
- III. One license for sale of liquor to be consumed on licensed premises in hotels to each 2,000 population or major fraction thereof.

Licenses already issued and in effect at the time of the effective date of this section may be renewed by the commission at its discretion, subject to the provisions of this chapter and the rules and regulations of the commission.

The commission shall be authorized to issue summer, seasonal or part-time licenses as authorized by the provisions of this chapter in addition to the limitations herein set forth in places determined by this commission to be a bona fide summer resort.

In no case shall the limitation herein set forth prohibit the issuance of a minimum of 2 full-time licenses of any type in any community.

Transfer under the provisions of section 35 shall not affect the right of renewal of any licenses in effect as of the effective date of this section.'