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House of Representatives, February 23, 1955.

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

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Lord of Augusta by request.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to Hours of Sale of Liquor.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 61, § 27, amended. Section 27 of chapter 61 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 27. Sale on certain days and hours. No liquor shall be sold in this State on Sundays or on the day of holding a general or state-wide primary and no licensee by himself, clerk, servant or agent shall between the hours of midnight and 6 A. M. sell or deliver any liquors, except no liquors shall be sold or delivered on Saturdays after 11:45 P. M., provided, however, that liquor may be sold on January 1st of any year from midnight to 2 A. M. unless January 1st falls on Sunday; provided further, however, that the Commission by rule and regulation may set hours for sale which will give effect to daylight saving time during times when the same is in effect. No licensee shall permit the consumption of liquors on his premises on Sundays or after 15 minutes past the hours prohibited for sale thereof, except by bona fide guests in their rooms, **except that licensees operating bona fide hotels may serve liquor with meals in their dining rooms from 12:30 P. M. to 8:30 P. M. on Sundays.** No liquor shall be sold in this State on May 30 prior to 12 noon Eastern Standard Time.

Any licensee by himself, clerk, servant or agent who sells liquor on Sunday, **except as hereinabove provided,** shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$500, and costs, and a penalty of not less than 2 months nor more than 6 months, in jail, at the discretion of the court; and in default of fine and costs an additional penalty by imprisonment for 6 months. Any clerk, servant,

agent or other person in the employment of a licensee, who violates or in any manner aids or assists in violating the law relating to Sunday sale of liquor, shall suffer like penalties.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 61, § 56, sub-§ II, ¶ F, amended. Paragraph F of subsection II of section 56 of chapter 61 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'F. Making sales on Sunday, except when served with meals in the dining rooms of bona fide licensed hotels between 12:30 P. M. and 8:30 P. M.:'