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NINETY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to the Administration of the State Liquor Commission.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves passed by the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the said 90-day period will not terminate until after the beginning of the next fiscal year; and

Whereas, certain obligations and expenses incident to the operation of the State Liquor Commission will become due and payable on or immediately after July 1, 1955; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

- Sec. 1. R. S., c. 61, § 8, sub-§ XXI, additional. Section 8 of chapter 61 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new subsection to be numbered XXI, to read as follows:
 - 'XXI. The expenses for the administration of the State Liquor Commission in carrying out the duties as set forth in this chapter shall be paid from such amounts as the Legislature may allocate from the revenues derived from the operations of the Commission. Such amounts shall become available in accordance with the provisions of chapter 16.'

Sec. 2. Allocation of Liquor Commission Fund. In order to provide for necessary expenses for operation and administration of the Maine State Liquor Commission, the following amounts, or as much as may be necessary, are hereby allocated:

Personal Services Capital Expenditures All Other	1955-56 \$1,004.830 45,000 477.595	1956-57 \$1,013,912 45,000 469,831
	\$1,527,425	\$1,528,803

Upon receipt of allotments duly approved by the Governor and Council based upon work programs submitted to the Commissioner of Finance and Administration, the State Controller shall authorize expenditures from these allocations on the basis of such allotments and not otherwise.

Sec. 3. Legislative intent. It is the intent of the Legislature that the allocation of funds by the Legislature, as provided by this act, shall apply to the administrative expenses only of the Liquor Commission and that such allocations shall be allotted and approved under provisions of Chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes of 1954. It is not intended to affect the use of the Working Capital, provided for by Section 13 of Chapter 61 of the Revised Statutes of 1954, or other activities required of the State Liquor Commission by Chapter 61 of the Revised Statutes of 1954.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect July 1, 1955.