

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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House of Representatives, October 30, 1957.

Received by unanimous consent. Referred to Committee on Liquor Control.  
Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Crockett of Freeport.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FIFTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relating to Definition of Club Under Liquor Laws.

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

**R. S., c. 61, § 1, amended.** The 5th paragraph of section 1 of chapter 61 of the Revised Statutes, which relates to the definition of "Club," is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Club" shall mean any reputable group of individuals incorporated and operating in a bona fide manner solely for objects of recreational, social, patriotic or fraternal nature and not for pecuniary gain. To qualify for license or any renewal thereof under the provisions of this chapter a club shall, for at least 2 years immediately preceding application therefor, have been in continuous operation and existence, regularly occupied as owner or lessee a suitable clubhouse or quarters for use of members, held regular meetings, conducted its business through officers regularly elected and charged and collected dues from elected members, except that any veterans' organization in the State having a charter from a national veterans' organization shall be exempt from the 2-year requirement, provided it has been established for not less than 3 months and except that any fraternal organization in the State having a charter from a national fraternal organization shall be exempt from the 2-year requirement, provided it has been established for not less than 3 months.'