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NINETY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

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House of Representatives, February 4, 1959.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs, sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Curtis of Bowdoinham.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-NINE

AN ACT Providing Revenues for Treatment and Rehabilitation of Alcoholics.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 61, § 14, amended. The first sentence of section 14 of chapter 61 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 9 of chapter 359 of the public laws of 1955, is further amended to read as follows:

'All spirits and wines shall be sold by the commission at a price to be determined by the commission which will produce a state liquor tax of not less than 61% based on the less carload cost f. o. b., State Liquor Commission warehouse, 1% of which shall be dedicated for use in the treatment and rehabilitation of alcoholics, and in addition thereto there shall be levied and imposed an excise tax of 24c per gallon on wines containing 10% to 14% alcohol by volume, 75c per gallon on wines containing 15% to 21% alcohol by volume and \$5 per gallon on sparkling wines; except that spirits and wines sold at wholesale under the provisions of section 43 may be sold at wholesale prices established pursuant to the provisions thereof and provided further, that prices. Prices for sale of spirits and wines bought by the commission from Maine licensees to manufacture liquor under the provisions of section 15 shall be based on minimum truck load delivery prices f. o. b. warehouse as the same are filed with the Public Utilities Commission and provided further, that special. Special orders by the commission for unstocked merchandise shall be priced at not less than 61% over actual cost delivered f. o. b. warehouse.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 61, § 22, amended. Section 22 of chapter 61 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 443 of the public laws of 1955 and by section 5

of chapter 218 of the public laws of 1957, is further amended by inserting after the 2nd sentence a new sentence to read as follows:

'In addition, there shall be added a tax of IC per gallon to be dedicated for use in the treatment and rehabilitation of alcoholics.'