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House of Representatives, March 6, 1959

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

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Brown of Bangor.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-NINE

**AN ACT Relating to Credit Between Malt Beverage Manufacturers
and Wholesalers.**

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 61, § 17, amended. Section 17 of chapter 61 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows :

'Sec. 17. Manufacturers and officers not interested in wholesalers; commercial credit. No officer, director or stockholder of a corporation which is the holder of a manufacturer's certificate of approval shall in any way be interested, either directly or indirectly, as a director, officer or stockholder in any other corporation which is the holder of a wholesale license for the sale of malt liquor granted by this State; nor shall a manufacturer or holder of a certificate of approval, either directly or indirectly, loan any money, credit or equivalent thereof to any wholesaler for equipping, fitting out, maintaining or conducting, either in whole or in part, a business establishment where malt liquor is sold, excepting only the usual and customary commercial credit for malt liquor sold and delivered **and excepting that a manufacturer or holder of a certificate of approval may furnish a wholesale licensee uniforms for the licensee's employees; may furnish the cost and materials of painting the licensee's motor vehicles; and may furnish advertising signs used by the licensee in the course of his business.'**

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 61, § 52, amended. The first sentence of section 52 of chapter 61 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows :

~~No~~ **Except as provided by section 17, no** person shall be issued a license or a renewal of a license if he shall be indebted in any manner, directly or indirectly, to any other person for liquor.'

Sec. 3. R. S., c. 61, § 53, amended. The first paragraph of section 53 of chapter 61 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

~~No~~ **Except as provided by section 17, no** licensee shall, directly or indirectly, offer or give any liquor, or any price premium, gift or inducement of any sort to other trade or consumer buyers, except such advertising novelties of nominal value as the commission may approve.'