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**CHAPTER 282
S.P. 576 - L.D. 1734**

**An Act To Create a
Postsecondary Educational
Institution Sampling License**

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

Sec. 1. 28-A MRSA §1553 is enacted to read:

**§1553. Postsecondary educational institution
sampling license**

The bureau may issue a postsecondary educational institution sampling license to an accredited postsecondary educational institution in the State, referred to in this section as an educational institution, as described by this section.

1. Eligible licensees. The bureau may issue a license under this section to an educational institution, or its agent, that submits an application to the bureau in a manner prescribed by the bureau. The bureau may issue a license under this section only to an educational institution, or its agent, that offers a course or courses involving the hospitality industry, culinary arts or food sciences.

2. Purchase of liquor limited to certain purposes. A licensee under this section may purchase liquor for educational courses conducted by the licensee involving the hospitality industry, culinary arts or food sciences.

Nothing in this subsection prohibits an educational institution licensed under this section from charging a materials fee to students to recoup the cost of liquor used for the purposes described in this section.

3. Consumption of liquor on premises; transport of liquor to premises. A licensee under this section is governed by the provisions of this subsection regarding the consumption of liquor on the educational institution's premises and the transport of liquor to the educational institution's premises.

A. A licensee may permit sampling of the liquor used in conjunction with the educational institution's course or courses involving the hospitality industry, culinary arts or food sciences by a person at least 21 years of age who is:

(1) A member of the faculty or staff of the educational institution who teaches or assists in the hospitality industry, culinary arts or food sciences course or courses; or

(2) A student enrolled in the hospitality industry, culinary arts or food sciences course or courses.

B. The sampling of liquor authorized under paragraph A must be conducted in accordance with

the licensed educational institution's alcohol safety procedures or guidelines.

C. Liquor purchased and transported to the educational institution's premises used in conjunction with the hospitality industry, culinary arts or food sciences course or courses must be clearly labeled with the educational institution's name, license number, date of purchase and course with which the liquor is associated.

4. License fee. The annual fee for a postsecondary educational institution sampling license is \$100.

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 283
H.P. 1230 - L.D. 1728**

**An Act To Align the Harness
Racing Laws with Current
Policies**

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

Whereas, it is urgent for the harness racing industry in this State to align harness racing laws with current policy and the policies of every other racing jurisdiction across the country and to have this alignment take effect as soon as possible; and

Whereas, current statutory language undermines the integrity of harness racing in this State and the confidence of the wagering public and threatens the future of the industry; 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. 8 MRSA §279-A, as amended by PL 2007, c. 611, §6, is further amended to read:

**§279-A. Licenses, rules and regulations for
participating in racing**

For the purpose of enabling the commission to exercise and maintain a proper control over racing conducted under this chapter, the commission may adopt rules for the licensing, with or without fee in the discretion of the commission, of owners, trainers, drivers, grooms and all other persons participating in harness horse racing, including pari-mutuel employees and race officials. The commission may issue condi-