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An Act To Improve the Return to the State on the Sale of Spirits and To Provide a Source of Payment for Maine's Hospitals. Referred to Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs. Public Hearing 03/11/13. Final Disposition: Indefinitely Postponed 06/20/13.

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