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BILL SUMMARY



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Office of Legislative Assistants State House, Station 13 Augusta, Maine 04333 (207) 289-2486 AN ACT RELATING TO DRINKING IN PUBLIC

McBreairty Charette K.Matthews Crouse OTP-A-acc; Conf.Comm.rep. accepted.

SUMMARY: Changes definition of public place to include places where public at large or a substantial number of public has access; removes requirement of personal police warning; removes provision allowing owner or authorized person to give permission to drink; allows prosecutor to elect to charge with either Class E crime or civil violation.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-86): returns requirement of personal police warning; adds provision that an otherwise public place is not to be considered such during a private event or gathering to which there is no access by the public at large. (H/S: adopted).

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" (H-201): technical correction of section number (Ketover) (H/S: adopted).

1287 AN ACT TO REQUIRE SWIMMING POOLS Wood OTP-ND
TO BE ENCLOSED See LD 1528