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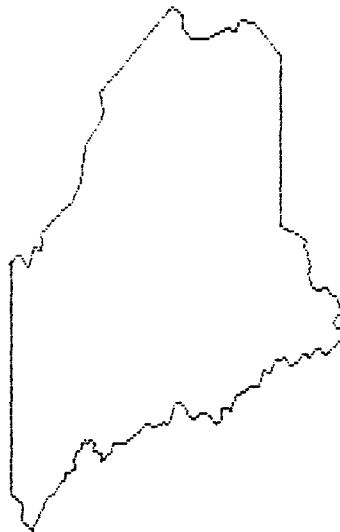


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1694

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR LOCAL OPTION  
VOTING ON BOTTLE CLUBS

Carpenter  
Smith,C.W.

ND of 1535-  
acc.  
PL 1983,c.487

SUMMARY of LD 1535: Bottle clubs must obtain state license at a cost of \$100; no bottle club may be licensed if a municipality's voters have prohibited on-premises consumption in local option vote; violation may lead to maximum \$300 fine and/or maximum of 60 days imprisonment; definition of bottle club is changed.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-155): redefines bottle club by using definition in current law; reduces license fee from \$100 to \$25; adds local option question allowing voters to prohibit bottle clubs in their municipality (minority report).

SUMMARY of LD 1694 (N.D.): adds local option question allowing voters to prohibit bottle clubs in their municipality; no license is required for bottle clubs (maj. report) (H/S: accepted).

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" (H-364): a local option vote on the bottle club question cannot be held unless residents previously voted not to allow on-premises consumption of alcoholic beverages (Michael) (H/S: adopted).