

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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BILL SUMMARY



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This document is a compilation of the bill summaries prepared by this office for the Joint Standing Committees and Joint Select Committees of the Maine Legislature. The summaries are arranged by LD number under each committee.

All Adopted Amendments are listed, by paper number (e.g., H-584 or S-222), together with the sponsor if it is a floor amendment or the designation "COMMITTEE" if it is a committee amendment.

Final action for each bill is listed to the right of the title. If final House action and Senate action differ, both are listed.

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Key to Committee Reports and Floor Action:

OTP	Ought to Pass
OTP-ND	Ought to Pass in New Draft
OTP-ND-NT	Ought to Pass in New Draft, New Title
OTP-A	Ought to Pass as Amended
ONTP	Ought Not to Pass
LVWD	Leave to Withdraw
INDEF PP	Indefinitely Postponed

The New Draft authorizes Ms. Gammon to sue the State and County for a total of no more than \$50,000.

House Amendment "A" (H-250) (not adopted) would clarify the language of the resolve concerning the liability of and damages awarded against the State and county. It would also provide that the liability and defenses of the employees, as established by the Maine Tort Claims Act, would not be changed. Third, it would make the limit of liability \$50,000 or the insurance policy limits, whichever is higher.

House Amendment "B" (H-300) does much the same as House Amendment "A" proposed, but clarifies that the liability limit is raised to the insurance policy limits only for the governmental entity covered by that policy.

House Amendment "C" (H-301) (not adopted) would clarify that the employees could not be sued as individuals.

LD  
1702

AN ACT RELATING TO CATERING SERVICES UNDER THE  
LIQUOR LAW

PL 1987  
c. 360

Sponsor: ERWIN, E., Jacques  
Committee Report: New Draft of LD 131  
Amendments Adopted:  
H-244 PRIEST

SUMMARY: Current law requires qualified catering services to make \$50,000 in gross annual income if full-time and \$25,000 in gross annual income if operating part-time to qualify for a liquor license. The original bill made the requirements the same as for Class A restaurants: The volume of business varies with the population where the establishment is located.

The New Draft redrafts the bill to conform to the recodification of the liquor laws.

House Amendment "A" (H-241) (not adopted) would add a reduced requirement for small towns (technical error).

House Amendment "B" (H-244) does what House Amendment "A" proposed, but without the technical error.