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An Act To Create a Consolidated Liquor License and Amend the Laws Governing Agency Liquor Stores

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

Sec. 1. 28-A MRSA §453-A, sub-§9 is enacted to read:

9. Exception. Notwithstanding section 453, subsection 2#C, paragraph A, the bureau may issue an agency liquor store license to an applicant that has not held a license to sell malt liquor and wine for off-premises consumption for one year if the applicant is a branch of a chain retailer of which one or more locations has held a license to sell spirits without violating the provisions of this Title and the applicant, if licensed, will enhance the revenue to the State from the sale of spirits.

Sec. 2. 28-A MRSA §1010-A is enacted to read:

§ 1010-A. Class VIII licenses

1. Types of liquor that may be sold. A Class VIII licensee may sell malt liquor, wine and spirits to be consumed off the premises where sold.

2. Fees. The fees for a Class VIII license are as follows:

A. Full-time, one year, after payment of the initial agency liquor store license fee under section 453#B, \$775. The license may be prorated; and

B. A Class VIII license is not subject to the renewal fee under section 453#B.

3. Eligible premises. The following premises are eligible to obtain a Class VIII license:

A. Agency liquor store licensees with a qualifying stock of groceries, compatible merchandise or a combination of both.

Sec. 3. 28-A MRSA §1013 is enacted to read:

§ 1013. Underage drinking prevention

Beginning January 1, 2012, the bureau shall pay \$75 from each license fee collected under section 1010#A to the Treasurer of State to be credited to the Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Substance Abuse for the purpose of prevention of consumption of liquor by minors.

Sec. 4. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF (FORMERLY BDS)

Office of Substance Abuse 0679

PUBLIC Law, Chapter 460, LD 1300, 125th Maine State Legislature
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Initiative: Allocates funds for underage drinking prevention programs.

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2011-12	2012-13
All Other	\$750	\$750
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	<hr/> \$750	<hr/> \$750

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