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An Act To Preserve Historic Architecture by Encouraging Owner-occupied Small Business Conversion

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

Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §2501, first ¶, as amended by PL 1977, c. 78, §148, is further amended to read:

Private homes shall ~~are~~ not be deemed or considered lodging places and subject to a license where not more than 3 rooms are let. A private home that is listed on the National Register of Historic Places, eligible for nomination to the national register or designated as a historic building by a certified municipal historic preservation ordinance is not considered a lodging place if it does not gross more than \$100,000 annually and does not let more than 7 rooms or does not have more than 15 unrelated guests at one time. A license shall ~~is~~ not be required from dormitories of charitable, educational or philanthropic institutions, fraternity and sorority houses affiliated with educational institutions, or from private homes used in emergencies for the accommodation of persons attending conventions, fairs or similar public gatherings, nor from temporary eating and lodging places for the same, nor from railroad dining or buffet cars, nor from construction camps, nor from boarding houses and camps conducted in connection with wood cutting and logging operations, nor from any boarding care facilities or children's homes ~~which~~that are licensed under section 7801.

SUMMARY

This bill provides that a private home that is designated or eligible to be designated as a historic building is not considered a lodging place if it does not gross more than \$100,000 annually and does not let more than 7 rooms or does not have more than 15 unrelated guests at one time.