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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 19, L.D. 15, Bill, “An Act To Amend the Authorized Hours during Which Liquor May Be Sold and Purchased”

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting the following:

**Sec. 1. 28-A MRSA §4, sub-§1**, as amended by PL 2013, c. 2, §1, is further amended to read:

**1. Hours for sale of liquor.** Except as provided in paragraphs A to D, licensees may sell or deliver liquor from ~~6~~ 5 a.m. on any day until 1 a.m. of the following day.

A. Licensees may not sell liquor on Sunday between the hours of 6 a.m. and 9 a.m., except on March 17th.

B. Licensees may sell liquor on January 1st of any year from 12 midnight to 2 a.m.

(1) In areas in which liquor may be sold except on Sundays, if January 1st falls on a Monday, licensees may sell or deliver liquor between 9 p.m. Sunday, December 31st and 2 a.m. January 1st, notwithstanding any local option decisions to the contrary.

D. Wholesale licensees may sell or deliver liquor to licensed establishments from 4 a.m. on any day until 1 a.m. the following day.'

**SUMMARY**

This amendment replaces the bill, which proposes to amend current law to allow licensees to sell or deliver liquor as early as 5 a.m. any day of the week. This amendment allows for the 5 a.m. sale and delivery of liquor Monday through Saturday but maintains current law prohibiting sale until 9 a.m. on all Sundays, except for Sundays falling on March 17th.

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**