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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 397, L.D. 504, Bill, “An Act To Allow Consumer Refunds or Exchanges of Unopened Bottles of Spirits”

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

**'Resolve, Directing the Department of Public Safety, Division of Liquor Licensing and Compliance To Amend Its Rules Governing the Return of Spirits by Consumers'**

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

**'Sec. 1. Department of Public Safety's division of liquor licensing and compliance to amend rules. Resolved:** That, no later than January 1, 2012, the Department of Public Safety's division of liquor licensing and compliance shall amend its rules regarding the return of spirits by a consumer. The rules must provide that an agency liquor store may permit the return of a bottle of spirits from a consumer if the bottle has not been opened or tampered with and is accompanied by a sales receipt that shows the bottle of spirits was purchased within the last 10 days from that agency liquor store. Rules adopted pursuant to this resolve are routine technical rules as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.'

**SUMMARY**

This amendment strikes the bill and makes it a resolve. The resolve requires the Department of Public Safety's division of liquor licensing and compliance to adopt rules permitting an agency liquor store to accept the return of an unopened bottle of spirits.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

(See attached)

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**