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

'An Act To Amend the Lodging Place Licensing Requirements to Support Small Businesses'

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 1 and inserting the following:

'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 ~~wherewhen~~ not more than 35 rooms are let. 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 ~~whieh~~that are licensed under section 7801.'

SUMMARY

This amendment is the majority report of the committee. It amends the private home exemption from licensing for lodging places by increasing the number of rooms that may be let from 3 to 5. It deletes the provisions in the bill that propose to allow for a private home that is designated or eligible to be designated as a historic building to be exempted from the licensing provision 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.