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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 543, L.D. 1378, “An Act Regarding Liquor Service by Catering Services for Special Events at Licensed Wineries, Small Wineries, Breweries, Small Breweries, Distilleries and Small Distilleries”

Amend the bill by inserting after the title and before the enacting clause the following:

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the summer season is approaching, which is the busiest time for weddings and other special events to be held at wineries, small wineries, breweries, small breweries, distilleries and small distilleries; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,'

Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 11 in the last line (page 1, line 7 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "subsection 7." the following: 'A winery, small winery, brewery, small brewery, distillery or small distillery licensed under section 1355-A may host on the premises a function or event under this section up to 4 times in a 7-day period.'

Amend the bill by adding before the summary the following:

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved.'

Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

SUMMARY

This amendment, which is the unanimous report of the committee, adds an emergency preamble and an emergency clause to the bill. It also specifies that a winery, small winery,

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1 brewery, small brewery, distillery or small distillery may host on the premises up to 4 times
2 in a 7-day period a function or event where a qualified catering service provides the service
3 of liquor.

4 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

5 **(See attached)**