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An Act Regarding Mobile Service Bars at Municipal Golf Courses

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

Whereas, municipal golf courses serve as a popular recreation destination for residents of Maine and tourists alike; and

Whereas, the opportunity to visit golf courses in Maine can begin as early as April; 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,

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

Sec. 1. 28-A MRSA §1075-A, sub-§2, ¶A, as enacted by PL 2003, c. 579, §4, is amended to read:

A. All individuals selling, serving or dispensing malt liquor from a mobile service bar are employees of the golf course, except as provided in subsection 2-A;

Sec. 2. 28-A MRSA §1075-A, sub-§2, ¶K, as enacted by PL 2003, c. 579, §4, is amended to read:

K. The operator of a mobile service bar has the ability and necessary tools to immediately contact a golf course employee working at the part of the golf course licensed as an on-premises establishment or an employee of a Class A restaurant or Class A restaurant/lounge operating under a contract with a municipal golf course for assistance in enforcing the provisions of this section.

Sec. 3. 28-A MRSA §1075-A, sub-§2-A is enacted to read:

2-A. Municipal golf course. Notwithstanding subsection 2, paragraph A, employees of a Class A restaurant or Class A restaurant/lounge operating under a contract with a municipal golf course that does not have a license to serve alcoholic beverages may sell, serve or dispense malt liquor from a mobile service bar under the same conditions prescribed by subsection 2.

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

Effective 90 days following adjournment of the 124th
Legislature, Second Regular Session, unless otherwise indicated.