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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 26, L.D. 25, Bill, “An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Government Oversight Committee Regarding Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages and Lottery Operations Reporting Requirements”

Amend the bill by striking out all of sections 5 to 7 (page 2, lines 14 to 37 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

'Sec. 5. 28-A MRSA §83-B, sub-§11, as enacted by PL 2013, c. 476, Pt. A, §9, is amended to read:

11. Certification. Certify monthly to the ~~Treasurer of State~~ commission and the commissioner a complete statement of expenses and revenues collected in accordance with the licensing and enforcement functions of the bureau including a statement of the revenues collected under chapter 65. ~~The bureau shall submit an annual report that includes a complete statement of expenses and revenues collected in accordance with the licensing and enforcement functions of the bureau to the Governor and the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over alcoholic beverage matters, together with recommendations for changes to this Title.~~

Sec. 6. 28-A MRSA §83-C, sub-§7, as enacted by PL 2013, c. 476, Pt. A, §9, is amended to read:

7. Certification. Certify monthly to the ~~Treasurer of State~~ commission and the commissioner a complete statement of revenues from and expenses for the sale of spirits by the bureau ~~and submit an annual report that includes a complete statement of the revenues and expenses of the bureau to the Governor and the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over alcoholic beverage matters, together with recommendations for changes to this Title;~~

Sec. 7. 28-A MRSA §84, sub-§5, as amended by PL 2015, c. 430, §2, is repealed.'

Amend the bill in section 9 in subsection 7 in paragraph C in the last line (page 3, line 25 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "and section 84, subsection 5"

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SUMMARY

This amendment makes several changes to the requirement that the Director of the Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages and Lottery Operations within the Department of Administrative and Financial Services certify financial information related to administration of the State's spirits business and the bureau's oversight of the manufacture, distribution and sale of liquor in the State monthly. The amendment requires that the director make those monthly certifications to the State Liquor and Lottery Commission in addition to the Commissioner of Administrative and Financial Services, as is current practice. The amendment also repeals a duplicative reporting requirement.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)