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**STATE OF MAINE
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129TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 576, L.D. 1734, Bill, “An Act To Create a Postsecondary Educational Institution Program License for the Purchase of Liquor for Certain Curricula”

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

'An Act To Create a Postsecondary Educational Institution Sampling License'

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. 28-A MRSA §1553 is enacted to read:

§1553. Postsecondary educational institution sampling license

The bureau may issue a postsecondary educational institution sampling license to an accredited postsecondary educational institution in the State, referred to in this section as an educational institution, as described by this section.

1. Eligible licensees. The bureau may issue a license under this section to an educational institution, or its agent, that submits an application to the bureau in a manner prescribed by the bureau. The bureau may issue a license under this section only to an educational institution, or its agent, that offers a course or courses involving the hospitality industry, culinary arts or food sciences.

2. Purchase of liquor limited to certain purposes. A licensee under this section may purchase liquor for educational courses conducted by the licensee involving the hospitality industry, culinary arts or food sciences.

Nothing in this subsection prohibits an educational institution licensed under this section from charging a materials fee to students to recoup the cost of liquor used for the purposes described in this section.

3. Consumption of liquor on premises; transport of liquor to premises. A licensee under this section is governed by the provisions of this subsection regarding the

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1 consumption of liquor on the educational institution's premises and the transport of liquor
2 to the educational institution's premises.

3 A. A licensee may permit sampling of the liquor used in conjunction with the
4 educational institution's course or courses involving the hospitality industry, culinary
5 arts or food sciences by a person at least 21 years of age who is:

6 (1) A member of the faculty or staff of the educational institution who teaches or
7 assists in the hospitality industry, culinary arts or food sciences course or courses;
8 or

9 (2) A student enrolled in the hospitality industry, culinary arts or food sciences
10 course or courses.

11 B. The sampling of liquor authorized under paragraph A must be conducted in
12 accordance with the licensed educational institution's alcohol safety procedures or
13 guidelines.

14 C. Liquor purchased and transported to the educational institution's premises used in
15 conjunction with the hospitality industry, culinary arts or food sciences course or
16 courses must be clearly labeled with the educational institution's name, license
17 number, date of purchase and course with which the liquor is associated.

18 4. License fee. The annual fee for a postsecondary educational institution sampling
19 license is \$100.'

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

22 **SUMMARY**

23 This amendment specifies that any accredited postsecondary educational institution in
24 the State that offers a course or courses involving the hospitality industry, culinary arts or
25 food sciences is eligible for a license to permit sampling of liquor by faculty and students
26 who are at least 21 years of age and enrolled in the course or courses. All sampling of
27 liquor must be conducted in accordance with the educational institution's alcohol safety
28 procedures or guidelines.

29 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

30 **(See attached)**