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LD 283

LD 283 could put at risk the critical funding used to promote Maine tourism and attract visitors.

- The bill functions as a local option sales tax and establishes a new revenue-sharing model that could easily lead to future increases in meals and lodging taxes.
- Tourism in Maine dropped 9% in summer 2024 (Maine Office of Tourism). Now is not the time to weaken the funding that helps bring visitors here.
- In 2023, tourists spent more than \$9 billion, with Maine's tourism industry generating an overall economic impact of \$16 billion annually.

Our tax free neighbors in NH will enjoy our customers

We will have less Canadian business already this summer due to Tariffs. Adding this will make menu prices even more of a customer deterrent