



**Alison Sucey, Director of Government Affairs  
On Behalf of the Maine Tourism Association  
In SUPPORT of**

**LD 306 An Act To Temporarily Waive Certain Requirements for Relicensing for Restaurants  
That Serve Liquor**

Senator Luchini, Representative Caiazzo, and Members of the Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs:

My name is Alison Sucey, and I am the Chief Operating Officer and Director of Government Affairs for the Maine Tourism Association. I offer this testimony in support LD 306. The Maine Tourism Association is a non-profit, statewide membership association that represents every type of tourism business such as restaurants and bars, lodging, retail, amusements, camps and campgrounds, historical and cultural attractions, and guides and tours.

Tourism is one of the hardest hit industries from the pandemic, and restaurants already operate on very thin profit margins. With the executive orders greatly limiting the hours, limiting the capacity, and, for a time, complete closures of restaurants, many of these businesses will have a difficult time meeting the criteria regarding food sales. This one-time waiver can truly help these businesses stay in operation and keep their workers employed through the pandemic.

I respectfully encourage you to support this bill. Thank you very much for your consideration.