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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " " to H.P. 238, L.D. 333, Bill, "An Act To Repeal the Provision of Law That Requires the Trade Name or Brand of Malt Liquor To Be Displayed in Full Sight of a Customer on a Faucet, Spigot or Dispensing Apparatus"

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

'An Act To Amend the Provision of Law That Requires the Trade Name or Brand of Malt Liquor To Be Displayed in Full Sight of a Customer on a Faucet, Spigot or Dispensing Apparatus'

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

'Sec. 1. 28-A MRSA §712, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 45, Pt. A, §4, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

2. Serve from faucet, spigot, dispensing apparatus by trade name. A licensee may not furnish or serve any malt liquor from any faucet, spigot or other dispensing apparatus, unless:

A. The trade name or brand of the malt liquor served appears in full sight of the customer in legible lettering upon the faucet, spigot or dispensing apparatus; or

B. The licensee displays a list of all malt liquors currently available on tap that is clearly visible to patrons of the establishment in a manner that allows a patron to identify the trade name or brand of the malt liquor that is being dispensed from each faucet, spigot or dispensing apparatus.'

SUMMARY

This amendment replaces the bill. Current law requires that an on-premises liquor licensee may not serve malt liquor from a tap unless the trade name or brand is clearly labeled on the tap handle. The amendment provides an alternative to current law by providing that licensees who serve malt liquor from a tap may inform consumers about which product is being dispensed by displaying a list of all available malt liquors.

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