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**An Act To Allow Bars with an Occupancy of 30 or Fewer Persons
To Have Only One Bathroom**

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

Reference to the Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety suggested and ordered printed.

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DAREK M. GRANT
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator POULIOT of Kennebec.
Cosponsored by Representative CAIAZZO of Scarborough and
Senators: CLAXTON of Androscoggin, FARRIN of Somerset.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 10 MRSA §9726** is enacted to read:

3 **§9726. Requirements for on-premises retail licensees**

4 **1. Toilet facility requirements.** Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary,
5 premises operated by an on-premises retail licensee that has an occupancy of 30 or fewer
6 persons must have at least one toilet facility. A municipal building code may not require
7 premises operated by an on-premises retail licensee that has an occupancy of 30 or fewer
8 persons to have more than one toilet facility. For purposes of this subsection, "on-premises
9 retail licensee" has the same meaning as in Title 28-A, section 2, subsection 27, paragraph
10 B.

11 **2. Rules.** The board may adopt rules to implement this section. Rules adopted
12 pursuant to this subsection are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375,
13 subchapter 2-A.

14 **SUMMARY**

15 This bill prohibits municipal building codes or other law from requiring an
16 establishment that permits on-premises consumption of alcoholic beverages that has an
17 occupancy of 30 or fewer persons to have more than one toilet facility.