HP0353, LD 498, item 10, 124th Maine State Legislature, Amendment H "C" to C "A", Filing Number H-545, Sponsored by WEBSTER

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Amend the amendment on page 2 by inserting after paragraph M the following:

'N. Taste-testing activities must be conducted in a manner that precludes the possibility of observation by children. The Department of Public Safety shall report annually by January 15th to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over alcohol regulation matters regarding the operation and effectiveness of this paragraph.'

Amend the amendment in §1205 in subsection 2 by striking out all of paragraphs J and K (page 3, lines 3 to 6 in amendment) and inserting the following:

- 'J. The retail licensee must notify the Bureau of Liquor Enforcementbureau of the date and time scheduled for an on-premise taste testingall taste-testing events; and
- K. The retail licensee must purchase all wine served at a taste testing from a wholesale licensee.; and
- L. Taste-testing activities must be conducted in a manner that precludes the possibility of observation by children. The Department of Public Safety shall report annually by January 15th to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over alcohol regulation matters regarding the operation and effectiveness of this paragraph.'

Amend the amendment in §1207 in subsection 2 by inserting after paragraph K the following:

'L. Taste-testing activities must be conducted in a manner that precludes the possibility of observation by children. The Department of Public Safety shall report annually by January 15th to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over alcohol regulation matters regarding the operation and effectiveness of this paragraph.'

SUMMARY

This amendment requires that wine, spirits and malt liquor taste-tasting activities be conducted in a manner that will prevent observation by children. This amendment also requires that the Department of Public Safety report annually to the Legislature regarding the operation and effectiveness of this requirement.