

§1301-A. State licenses

No person, firm or corporation holding a license under the State of Maine or any of its subdivisions for the dispensing of food, liquor or for any service or being a State of Maine corporation or a corporation authorized to do business in the State shall withhold membership, its facilities or services to any person on account of race, religion or national origin, except such organizations which are oriented to a particular religion or which are ethnic in character. [PL 1969, c. 371 (NEW).]

The inspectors and agents of licensing authorities issuing licenses under this section shall have the authority to investigate and prosecute complaints against its licensees for violation of this section and to institute proceedings before the District Court Judge who shall be empowered to proceed under Title 5, chapter 375, and not under Title 28-A, chapter 33. [PL 1987, c. 769, Pt. A, §55 (RPR); PL 1999, c. 547, Pt. B, §78 (AMD); PL 1999, c. 547, Pt. B, §80 (AFF).]

It shall be the duty of the several district attorneys to investigate and prosecute complaints of violations of this section, and to institute proceedings before the District Court Judge who shall be empowered to proceed under Title 5, chapter 375. [PL 1987, c. 402, Pt. A, §116 (AMD); PL 1999, c. 547, Pt. B, §78 (AMD); PL 1999, c. 547, Pt. B, §80 (AFF).]

A determination by the District Court Judge after notice and hearing on a show cause order that there is a violation of this section shall cause revocation of such licenses as may be held, with the right of appeal to the Superior Court under Title 5, chapter 375. [PL 1987, c. 402, Pt. A, §117 (AMD); PL 1999, c. 547, Pt. B, §78 (AMD); PL 1999, c. 547, Pt. B, §80 (AFF).]

SECTION HISTORY

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