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The 127th Legislature of the State of Maine
State House
Augusta, ME


Dear Honorable Members of the 127th Legislature:

Under the authority vested in me by Article IV, Part Third, Section 2 of the Constitution of the State of Maine, I am hereby vetoing LD 983, "An Act To Clarify Wine Auction Licenses."

This bill illustrates a principle that I disagree with, the belief by some that government needs to regulate and control everything. Private wine cellars that choose to sell private property that they have already paid taxes on should be free to do so. This bill requires government control of that process, and therefore I cannot support it.

For these reasons, I return LD 983 unsigned and vetoed. I strongly urge the Legislature to sustain it.

Sincerely,


Paul R. LePage
Governor



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