

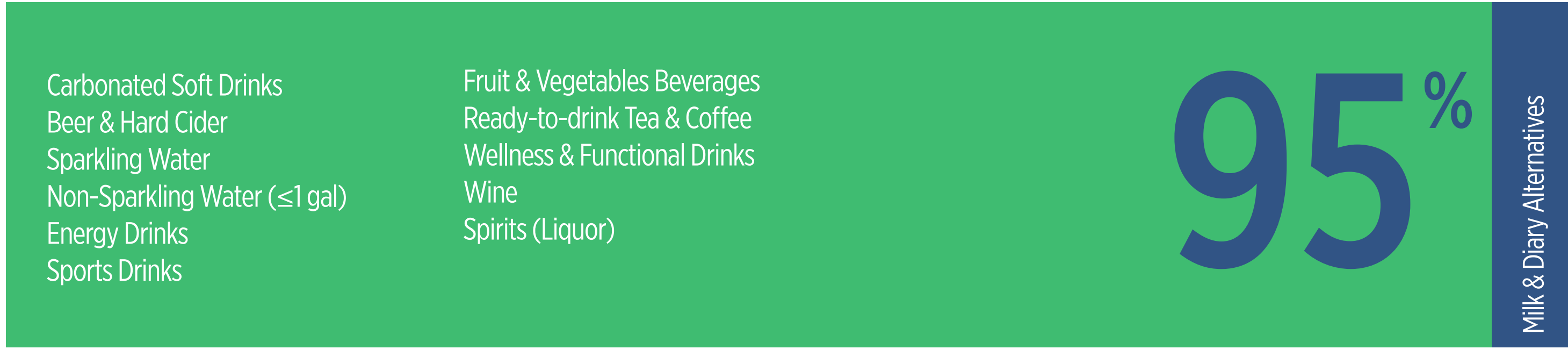
MAINE

Maine’s existing DRS has the most comprehensive range of included beverage containers and a redemption rate of 84%, the highest of the states studied in this new research. Deposit rates are five cents for all beverage containers except spirits and wines, which have a deposit of 15 cents. Maine has adopted Extended Producer Responsibility requirements, and rulemaking around this law will take place in 2023. Minimum recycled content requirements are being considered for adoption in the 2022 legislative session.

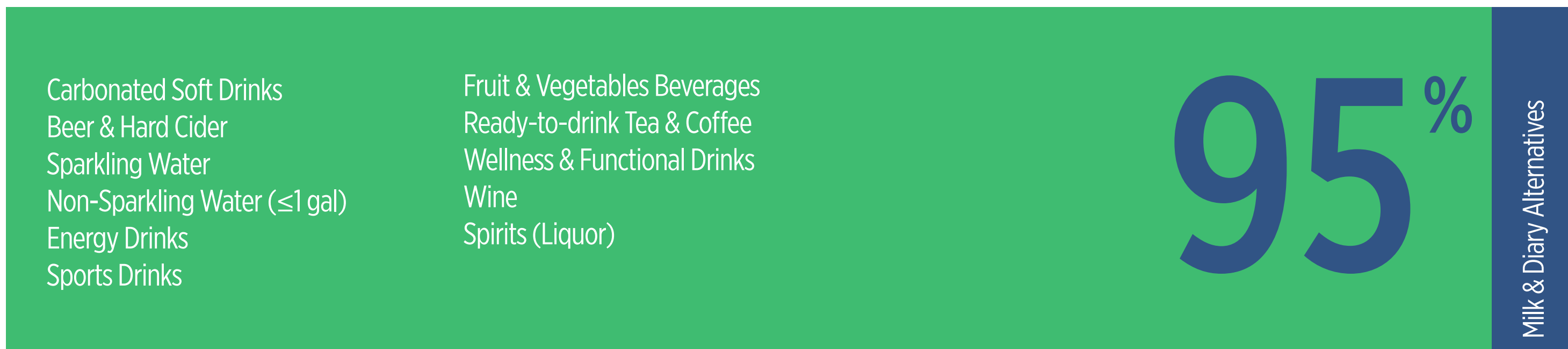
The high-performance principles provide guidance to further enhance Maine’s impressive redemption rate and push it above 90%, including increasing deposit fees, building in automatic triggers to increase deposit value if redemption rates fall, and improving access to redemption sites. Opportunities exist to include modernization measures in the governor’s 2022 budget proposal or in the rules being created as part of Extended Producer Responsibility requirements.

Beverage Containers included in DRS: Current vs Modernized

EXPANDED DRS



MODERNIZED DRS



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