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**STATE OF MICHIGAN
89TH LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION OF 1997**

Introduced by Reps. Emerson, Bogardus, Rison and Cherry

ENROLLED HOUSE BILL No. 4520

AN ACT to amend 1933 (Ex Sess) PA 8, entitled "An act to create a liquor control commission for the control of the alcoholic beverage traffic within the state of Michigan, and to prescribe its powers, duties and limitations; to provide for the control of the alcoholic liquor traffic within the state of Michigan and the establishment of state liquor stores; to provide for the care and treatment of alcoholics; to provide for the incorporation of farmer cooperative wineries and the granting of certain rights and privileges thereto; to provide for the licensing and taxation thereof, and the disposition of the moneys received under this act; to prescribe liability for retail licensees under certain circumstances; to require security for that liability; to provide procedures, defenses, and remedies regarding violations of this act; to provide for the enforcement and to prescribe penalties for violations of this act; to provide for the confiscation and disposition of property seized under the provisions of this act; to provide a referendum in certain cases; to repeal certain acts and parts of acts; and to repeal certain parts of this act on a specific date," by amending section 17h (MCL 436.17h), as amended by 1996 PA 379.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

Sec. 17h. (1) The commission may issue to the governing board of a college or university, without regard to the quota provisions of section 19c, a license to sell alcoholic liquor for consumption on the premises of a conference center operated by the governing board. Licenses granted under this subsection may be used only for the sale of alcoholic liquor at regularly scheduled conference center activities. The sale of alcoholic liquor to unscheduled patrons or at unscheduled events is prohibited under this subsection.

(2) Subject to the provisions of section 19c, the commission may issue a license to a private entity for the sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption on the premises of a hotel located on land owned by central Michigan university if both of the following circumstances exist:

(a) The land is leased or subleased at fair market value to a private entity that owns, leases, or subleases the hotel building and its fixtures.

(b) The hotel and land are located within an industrial, research, or commercial development park established by the governing board of central Michigan university.

(3) Licenses issued pursuant to this section shall be nontransferable, and the licensee shall pay the fee required under section 19.

(4) As used in this section:

(a) "College" or "university" means a 2-year or 4-year state supported institution of higher education.

(b) "Conference center" means a building or portion of a building, other than a student residence hall or student center, which has meeting rooms, banquet areas, social halls, overnight accommodations, and related facilities for special activities scheduled by the college or university, which in the judgment of the commission, has been regularly used for

conferences and lodging of guests. The Hoyt conference center and the corporate education center at eastern Michigan university, the Kirkhof and Eberhard centers at Grand Valley state university, the Bernhard center at western Michigan university, the Wadsworth center at Michigan technological university, the West Complex center at Saginaw valley state university, the conference center at Big Rapids and the applied technology center at Grand Rapids of Ferris state university, Grand Rapids junior college, the Waterman campus center at Schoolcraft college, the Mendel center at Lake Michigan community college, the McGregor memorial conference center at Wayne state university, the Michigan state university management educational center, the Superior dome at northern Michigan university, Walker Cislser center at Lake Superior state university, and the Marie Prahl college center at Mott community college are considered conference centers for the purposes of this act. The license issued for the Michigan state university management education center is not subject to the limitation and quota provisions of section 19c.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.



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Clerk of the House of Representatives.



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Secretary of the Senate.

Approved

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Governor.