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House Bill 5925 (Substitute H-1 as reported without amendment)

Sponsor: Representative Barb Byrum House Committee: Regulatory Reform

Senate Committee: Economic Development and Regulatory Reform

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Michigan Liquor Control Code to do all of the following:

- -- Require the Liquor Control Commission to issue a small distiller license to an applicant who annually manufactured not more than 60,000 gallons of spirits and paid a \$100 license fee.
- -- Allow a small distiller to sell spirits at retail from its licensed premises for consumption either on or off the premises.
- -- Allow a small distiller to offer samplings or tastings on the licensed premises.
- -- Require a small distiller to comply with server training requirements.

The bill would not allow the sale of spirits transacted or caused to be transacted by means of any mail order, internet, telephone, computer, device, or other electronic means.

MCL 436.1111 et al. Legislative Analyst: Patrick Affholter

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would permit eligible small distillers to obtain a small distillers license at a fee of \$100 per year, a reduction from the current fee of \$1,000 per year for distillers. The potential reduction in revenue is estimated to be approximately \$5,000 per year. The revenue from all nonretail license fees collected by the Liquor Control Commission goes to the Michigan Grape and Wine Industry Council. This revenue totaled \$517,233 in FY 2006-07.

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