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**STATE OF MICHIGAN
94TH LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION OF 2008**

Introduced by Senators Hunter, Allen, Barcia, Gilbert and Clarke

ENROLLED SENATE BILL No. 1351

AN ACT to amend 1998 PA 58, entitled "An act to create a commission for the control of the alcoholic beverage traffic within this state, and to prescribe its powers, duties, and limitations; to provide for powers and duties for certain state departments and agencies; to impose certain taxes for certain purposes; to provide for the control of the alcoholic liquor traffic within this state and to provide for the power to establish state liquor stores; to prohibit the use of certain devices for the dispensing of alcoholic vapor; 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 to those cooperatives; to provide for the licensing and taxation of activities regulated under this act and the disposition of the money received under this act; to prescribe liability for retail licensees under certain circumstances and 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 allocation of certain funds for certain purposes; to provide for the confiscation and disposition of property seized under this act; to provide referenda under certain circumstances; and to repeal acts and parts of acts," (MCL 436.1101 to 436.2303) by adding section 526.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

Sec. 526. (1) The commission may issue a special license under this section to any organization conducting a beer festival. The application shall conform to the following:

(a) Be submitted by a nonprofit entity composed primarily of brewers, microbrewers, and brewpubs, as determined by the commission.

(b) Involve an event having for its primary purpose the showcasing of beer and its production.

(c) Be accompanied by a fee of \$25.00 per day of the event.

(2) The special license shall not allow more than 6 events per calendar year conforming to the requirements of subsection (1).

(3) A holder of a special license issued under this section may buy a quantity of beer, as determined appropriate under the circumstances by the commission, directly from any licensed brewpub for consumption only at the licensed event.

(4) As used in this section and section 413, "beer festival" means an event at which the various types and kinds of beer and the production of that beer are showcased to the general public and at which the general public can purchase and sample the beer being showcased for consumption on the licensed premises.

Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect unless Senate Bill No. 1352 of the 94th Legislature is enacted into law.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.

Carol Morey Viventi

Secretary of the Senate

Richard J. Brown

Clerk of the House of Representatives

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Governor