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## **HOUSE BILL No. 6426**

September 8, 2010, Introduced by Reps. Johnson and Meadows and referred to the Committee on Regulatory Reform.

A bill to amend 1998 PA 58, entitled
"Michigan liquor control code of 1998,"

by amending sections 205, 901, 903, 909, and 1027 (MCL 436.1205,
436.1901, 436.1903, 436.1909, and 436.2027), section 205 as amended

by 2001 PA 274, section 901 as amended by 2008 PA 11, section 903

as amended by 2000 PA 431, and section 1027 as amended by 2008 PA

218, and by adding section 1029.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 205. (1) If the commission privatizes any portion of the system existing on December 19, 1996 under which spirits are warehoused or distributed, the THE commission shall, as provided in section 203(1), by order appoint authorized distribution agents to engage in the warehousing and delivery of spirits in this state so as to ensure that all retail licensees continue to be properly

- 1 serviced with spirits. An authorized distribution agent is subject
- 2 to uniform requirements, including business operating procedures,
- 3 that the commission may prescribe by rule, subject to this section.
- 4 (2) A person is eligible for appointment by the commission as
- 5 an authorized distribution agent if the following circumstances
- 6 exist:
- 7 (a) The person satisfies all applicable commission rules
- 8 prescribing qualifications for licensure promulgated under section
- **9** 215.
- 10 (b) The person has entered into a written agreement or
- 11 contract with a supplier of spirits for the purposes of warehousing
- 12 and delivering a brand or brands of spirits of that supplier of
- 13 spirits.
- 14 (c) The person has an adequate warehousing facility located in
- 15 this state for the storing of spirits from which all delivery of
- 16 spirits to retail licensees shall be made.
- 17 (3) An authorized distribution agent shall not have a direct
- 18 or indirect interest in a supplier of spirits or in a retailer. A
- 19 supplier of spirits or a retailer shall not have a direct or
- 20 indirect interest in an authorized distribution agent. An
- 21 authorized distribution agent shall not hold title to spirits.
- 22 After September 24, 1996, an authorized distribution agent or an
- 23 applicant to become an authorized distribution agent who directly
- 24 or indirectly becomes licensed subsequently as a wholesaler shall
- 25 not be appointed to sell a brand of wine in a county or part of a
- 26 county for which a wholesaler has been appointed to sell that brand
- 27 under an agreement required by this act. A wholesaler who directly

- 1 or indirectly becomes an authorized distribution agent shall not
- 2 sell or be appointed to sell a brand of wine to a retailer in a
- 3 county or part of a county for which another wholesaler has been
- 4 appointed to sell that brand under an agreement required by this
- 5 act, unless that wholesaler was appointed to sell and was actively
- 6 selling that brand to retailers in that county or part of that
- 7 county prior to September 24, 1996, or unless the sale and
- 8 appointment is the result of an acquisition, purchase, or merger
- 9 with the existing wholesaler who was selling that brand to a
- 10 retailer in that county or part of that county prior to September
- **11** 24, 1996.
- 12 (4) An authorized distribution agent shall deliver to each
- 13 retailer located in its assigned distribution area on at least a
- 14 weekly basis if the order meets the minimum requirements. Except
- 15 that in those weeks that accompany a state holiday, the commission
- 16 may order a modified delivery schedule provided that a retailer
- 17 waits not longer than 9 days between deliveries due to a modified
- 18 delivery schedule. Until the system established by the commission
- 19 under section 206 is activated, the authorized distribution agent
- 20 shall provide retailers access to a computer application that
- 21 includes the capability to determine whether certain spirits are
- 22 currently available for delivery. Beginning on the date the system
- 23 is established by the commission under section 206, the THE
- 24 commission shall provide for an integrated on-line ordering system
- 25 for spirits and shall require the continuance of any ordering
- 26 system in existence on the effective ACTIVATION date of THE SYSTEM
- 27 ESTABLISHED UNDER section 206. The minimum requirements shall be

- 1 set by the commission and shall be a sufficient number of bottles
- 2 to comprise not more than 2 cases. A retailer may pick up the
- 3 product at the authorized distribution agent's warehouse. To avoid
- 4 occasional emergency outages of spirits, a retail licensee may make
- 5 up to 12 special emergency orders to an authorized distribution
- 6 agent per calendar year which order shall be made available to the
- 7 retail licensee within 18 hours of the placing of the order. A
- 8 special emergency order placed on Saturday or Sunday shall be made
- 9 available to the retail licensee before noon on the following
- 10 Monday. An authorized distribution agent may impose a fee of up to
- 11 \$20.00 to deliver a special emergency order to a retail licensee.
- 12 (5) In locations inaccessible to a motor vehicle as that term
- is defined by the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.1 to
- 14 257.923, the authorized distribution agent shall arrange that a
- 15 delivery of spirits to a retailer be in compliance with the
- 16 following procedures:
- 17 (a) After processing an order from a retailer, an authorized
- 18 distribution agent shall contact a retailer to confirm the quantity
- 19 of cases or bottles, or both, and the exact dollar total of the
- 20 order.
- 21 (b) The authorized distribution agent shall have the
- 22 responsibility to coordinate with the retailer the date and time a
- 23 driver is scheduled to deliver the order to a ferry transport dock,
- 24 shall arrange any ferry, drayage, or other appropriate service, and
- 25 shall pick up the retailer's payment at that time.
- 26 (c) The ferry transport company or company representing any
- 27 other form of conveyance shall take the retailer's payment to the

- 1 mainland dock and give that payment to the authorized distribution
- 2 agent's driver.
- 3 (d) The ferry transport company or company representing any
- 4 other form of conveyance shall transport the order to the drayage
- 5 or other appropriate company at the island dock for immediate
- 6 delivery to the retailer.
- 7 (e) The drayage or other appropriate company shall deliver the
- 8 order to the retailer.
- 9 (6) The authorized distribution agent is responsible for the
- 10 payment of all transportation and delivery charges imposed by the
- 11 ferry, drayage, or other conveyance company and is responsible for
- 12 all breakage and any shortages, whether attributable to the ferry,
- 13 drayage, or other conveyance company or any combination of those
- 14 companies, until the order is delivered to the retailer's
- 15 establishment. This subsection does not in any way prevent the
- 16 authorized distribution agent from seeking reimbursement or damages
- 17 from any company conveying the authorized distribution agent's
- 18 product.
- 19 (7) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (4), an
- 20 authorized distribution agent shall not charge a delivery fee or a
- 21 split-case fee for delivery of spirits sold by the commission to a
- 22 retailer.
- 23 (8) An authorized distribution agent or prospective authorized
- 24 distribution agent shall maintain and make available to the
- 25 commission or its representatives, upon notice, any contract or
- 26 written agreement it may have with a supplier of spirits or other
- 27 authorized distribution agent for the warehousing and delivery of

- 1 spirits in this state.
- 2 (9) For any violation of this act, rules promulgated under
- 3 this act, or the terms of an order appointing an authorized
- 4 distribution agent, an authorized distribution agent shall be
- 5 subject to the suspension, revocation, forfeiture, and penalty
- 6 provisions of sections 903(1) and 907 in the same manner in which a
- 7 licensee would be subject to those provisions. An authorized
- 8 distribution agent aggrieved by a penalty imposed by the commission
- 9 may invoke the hearing and appeal procedures of section 903(2) and
- 10 rules promulgated under that section.
- 11 (10) A specially designated distributor may sell to an on-
- 12 premises licensee up to 9 liters of spirits during any 1-month
- 13 period and an on-premises licensee may purchase, collectively from
- 14 specially designated distributors, up to that amount during any 1-
- 15 month period. Notwithstanding any other provision of this act or
- 16 rule promulgated under this act, a specially designated distributor
- 17 is only liable for knowingly violating this section. Records
- 18 verifying these purchases shall be maintained by the on-premises
- 19 licensee and be available to the commission upon request.
- 20 (11) An authorized distribution agent shall demonstrate that
- 21 it has made a good faith effort to provide employment to those
- 22 former state employees who were terminated due to the privatization
- 23 of the liquor distribution system. A good faith effort is
- 24 demonstrated by the authorized distribution agent performing at
- 25 least the following actions:
- 26 (a) Seeking from the commission a list of names and resumes of
- 27 all such former state employees who have indicated a desire for

- 1 continued employment in the distribution of liquor in Michigan.
- 2 (b) Providing a list of employment opportunities created by
- 3 the authorized distribution agent in the distribution of liquor in
- 4 Michigan to each individual whose name and resume is transmitted
- 5 from the commission.
- 6 (c) Providing an opportunity for application and interview to
- 7 any terminated state worker who indicates an interest in pursuing a
- 8 job opportunity with the authorized distribution agent.
- 9 (d) Providing a priority in hiring for those individuals who
- 10 apply and interview under this process.
- 11 (12) Any former state employees terminated due to
- 12 privatization who have reason to believe that an authorized
- 13 distribution agent has not made a good faith effort to provide him
- 14 or her with employment opportunities as described in subsection
- 15 (11) may file a complaint with the commission who shall hear the
- 16 complaint and make a determination on its validity. If the
- 17 commission determines that the complaint is valid, the violation
- 18 may be treated as a violation of this act and the authorized
- 19 distribution agent may be subject to the suspension, revocation,
- 20 forfeiture, and penalty provisions of sections 903(1) and 907.
- 21 (13) In addition to paying a vendor of spirits the acquisition
- 22 price for purchasing spirits, the commission may pay a vendor of
- 23 spirits an additional amount of not less than \$4.50 and not more
- 24 than \$7.50 for each case of spirits purchased as an offset to the
- 25 costs being incurred by that vendor of spirits in contracting with
- 26 an authorized distribution agent for the warehousing and delivery
- 27 of spirits to retailers. The payment described in this subsection

- 1 shall not be included in the cost of purchasing spirits by the
- 2 commission and shall not be subject to the commission's markup,
- 3 special taxes, or state sales tax. The per-case offset established
- 4 by this subsection may be increased by the state administrative
- 5 board each January to reflect reasonable increases in the
- 6 authorized distribution agent's cost of warehousing and delivery.
- 7 As used in this subsection, "case" means a container holding twelve
- 8 750 ml bottles of spirits or other containers containing spirits
- 9 which are standard to the industry.
- 10 Sec. 901. (1) A person, directly or indirectly, himself or
- 11 herself or by his or her clerk, agent, or employee, shall not
- 12 manufacture, manufacture for sale, sell, offer or keep for sale,
- 13 barter, furnish, import, import for sale, transport for hire,
- 14 transport, or possess any alcoholic liquor unless the person
- 15 complies with this act.
- 16 (2) A licensee shall not allow unlawful gambling on the
- 17 licensed premises and shall not allow on the licensed premises any
- 18 gaming devices prohibited by law.
- 19 (3) A licensee shall not sell, offer or keep for sale,
- 20 furnish, possess, or allow a customer to consume alcoholic liquor
- 21 that is not authorized by the license issued to the licensee by the
- 22 commission.
- 23 (4) A PERSON, WHETHER OR NOT A LICENSEE, SHALL NOT SELL,
- 24 DELIVER, OR IMPORT SPIRITS UNLESS THE SALE, DELIVERY, OR
- 25 IMPORTATION IS MADE BY THE COMMISSION, THE COMMISSION'S AUTHORIZED
- 26 AGENT OR DISTRIBUTOR, AN AUTHORIZED DISTRIBUTION AGENT APPROVED BY
- 27 ORDER OF THE COMMISSION, A PERSON LICENSED BY THE COMMISSION, OR BY

- 1 PRIOR WRITTEN ORDER OF THE COMMISSION. A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS
- 2 SUBSECTION IS SUBJECT TO THE SANCTIONS AND PENALTIES CONTAINED IN
- 3 SECTION 909(4) AND, IN THE CASE OF A VIOLATION OF SECTION
- 4 909(4)(A), IS SUBJECT TO FORFEITURE OF PROCEEDS OR AN
- 5 INSTRUMENTALITY AS PROVIDED FOR IN CHAPTER XXVA OF THE MICHIGAN
- 6 PENAL CODE, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.159F TO 750.159X.
- 7 (5) (4)—A licensee shall not sell or furnish alcoholic liquor
- 8 to a person who maintains, operates, or leases premises that are
- 9 not licensed by the commission and upon which other persons
- 10 unlawfully engage in the sale or consumption of alcoholic liquor
- 11 for consideration as prohibited by section 913.
- 12 (6) (5)—A retail licensee shall not, on his or her licensed
- 13 premises, sell, offer for sale, accept, furnish, possess, or allow
- 14 the consumption of alcoholic liquor that has not been purchased by
- 15 the retail licensee from the commission, THE COMMISSION'S
- 16 AUTHORIZED AGENT OR DISTRIBUTOR, AN AUTHORIZED DISTRIBUTION AGENT
- 17 APPROVED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION, or from a licensee of the
- 18 commission authorized to sell that alcoholic liquor to a retail
- 19 licensee. This subsection does not apply to the consumption of
- 20 alcoholic liquor in the bedrooms or suites of registered guests of
- 21 licensed hotels or in the bedrooms or suites of bona fide members
- 22 of licensed clubs.
- 23 Sec. 903. (1) The commission or any commissioner or duly
- 24 authorized agent of the commission designated by the chairperson of
- 25 the commission, upon due notice and proper hearing, may suspend or
- 26 revoke any license upon a violation of this act or any of the rules
- 27 promulgated by the commission under this act. The commission or any

- 1 commissioner or duly authorized agent of the commission designated
- 2 by the chairperson of the commission, may assess a penalty of not
- 3 more than \$300.00 for each violation of this act or rules
- 4 promulgated under this act, or not more than \$1,000.00 for each
- 5 violation of section 801(2), in addition to or in lieu of
- 6 revocation or suspension of the license, which penalty shall be
- 7 paid to the commission and deposited with the state treasurer and
- 8 shall be credited to the general fund of the state. The commission
- 9 shall hold a hearing and order the suspension or revocation of a
- 10 license if the licensee has been found liable for 3 or more
- 11 separate violations of section 801(2) which violations occurred on
- 12 different occasions within a 24-month period unless such violations
- 13 for the sale, furnishing, or giving alcoholic liquor to a minor
- 14 were discovered by the licensee and disclosed to an appropriate law
- 15 enforcement agency immediately upon discovery. A RETAIL LICENSEE
- 16 WHO SELLS, OFFERS TO SELL, ACCEPTS, FURNISHES, POSSESSES, OR ALLOWS
- 17 THE CONSUMPTION OF SPIRITS IN VIOLATION OF SECTION 901(6) IS
- 18 SUBJECT TO AN ADMINISTRATIVE FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$2,500.00 PER
- 19 OCCURRENCE AND THE FOLLOWING LICENSE SANCTIONS AFTER NOTICE AND
- 20 OPPORTUNITY FOR AN ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING UNDER THE ADMINISTRATIVE
- 21 PROCEDURES ACT OF 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 TO 24.328:
- 22 (A) FOR A FIRST VIOLATION, A LICENSE SUSPENSION FOR BETWEEN 1
- 23 AND 30 DAYS.
- 24 (B) FOR A SECOND VIOLATION, A LICENSE SUSPENSION FOR BETWEEN
- 25 31 AND 89 DAYS.
- 26 (C) FOR A THIRD VIOLATION, A LICENSE SUSPENSION FOR 90 DAYS.
- 27 (D) FOR A FOURTH OR SUBSEQUENT VIOLATION, REVOCATION OF THE

## 1 LICENSE.

2 (2) The commission shall provide a procedure by which a licensee who is aggrieved by any penalty imposed under subsection 3 4 (1) and any suspension or revocation of a license ordered by the commission, a commissioner, or a duly authorized agent of the 5 6 commission may request a hearing for the purpose of presenting any 7 facts or reasons to the commission as to why the penalty, suspension, or revocation should be modified or rescinded. Any such 8 9 request shall be in writing and accompanied by a fee of \$25.00. The 10 commission, after reviewing the record made before a commissioner 11 or a duly authorized agent of the commission, may allow or refuse to allow the hearing in accordance with the commission's rules. The 12 13 right to a hearing provided in this subsection, however, shall not 14 be interpreted by any court as curtailing, removing, or annulling the right of the commission to suspend or revoke licenses as 15 provided for in this act. A licensee does not have a right of 16 17 appeal from the final determination of the commission, except by leave of the circuit court. Notice of the order of suspension or 18 19 revocation of a license or of the assessment of a penalty, or both, 20 shall be given in the manner prescribed by the commission. The 21 suspension or revocation of a license or the assessment of a 22 penalty, or both, by the commission or a duly authorized agent of 23 the commission does not prohibit the institution of a criminal prosecution for a violation of this act. The institution of a 24 25 criminal prosecution for a violation of this act or the acquittal 26 or conviction of a person for a violation of this act does not 27 prevent the suspension or revocation of a license or the assessment

- 1 of a penalty, or both, by the commission. In a hearing for the
- 2 suspension or revocation of a license issued under this act, proof
- 3 that the defendant licensee or an agent or employee of the licensee
- 4 demanded and was shown, before furnishing any alcoholic liquor to a
- 5 minor, a motor vehicle operator or chauffeur license or a
- 6 registration certificate issued by the federal selective service,
- 7 or other bona fide documentary evidence of majority and identity of
- 8 the person, may be offered as evidence in a defense to a proceeding
- 9 for the suspension or revocation of a license issued under this
- 10 act. A licensee who has reason to believe that a minor has used
- 11 fraudulent identification to purchase alcoholic liquor in violation
- 12 of section 703 shall file a police report concerning the violation
- 13 with a local law enforcement agency and shall also present the
- 14 alleged fraudulent identification to the local law enforcement
- 15 agency at the time of filing the report if the identification is in
- 16 the possession of the licensee. The commission may promulgate rules
- 17 pursuant to the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306,
- 18 MCL 24.201 to 24.328, regarding the utilization by licensees of
- 19 equipment designed to detect altered or forged driver licenses,
- 20 state identification cards, and other forms of identification.
- 21 (3) In addition to the hearing commissioners provided for in
- 22 section 209, the chairperson of the commission may designate not
- 23 more than 2 duly authorized agents to hear violation cases. A
- 24 person appointed under this subsection shall be a member in good
- 25 standing of the state bar of Michigan.
- 26 (4) A duly authorized agent who has been designated by the
- 27 chairperson pursuant to subsection (3) shall have, in the hearing

- 1 of violation cases, the same authority and responsibility as does a
- 2 hearing commissioner under this act and the rules promulgated under
- 3 this act.
- 4 (5) A duly authorized agent who has been designated by the
- 5 chairperson pursuant to subsection (3) shall be ineligible for
- 6 appointment to the commission for a period of 1 year after the
- 7 person ceases to serve as a duly authorized agent.
- 8 Sec. 909. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this act, a
- 9 person, other than a person required to be licensed under this act,
- 10 who violates this act is guilty of a misdemeanor.
- 11 (2) Except as otherwise provided in this act, a licensee who
- 12 violates this act, or a rule or regulation promulgated under this
- 13 act, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not
- 14 more than 6 months or a fine of not more than \$500.00, or both.
- 15 (3) A person who performs any act for which a license is
- 16 required under this act without first obtaining that license or who
- 17 sells alcoholic liquor in a county that has prohibited the sale of
- 18 alcoholic liquor under section 1107 is guilty of a felony
- 19 punishable by imprisonment for not more than 1 year or by a fine of
- 20 not more than \$1,000.00, or both.
- 21 (4) A PERSON, WHETHER OR NOT A LICENSEE, WHO VIOLATES SECTION
- 22 901(4) IS SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING PENALTIES OR SANCTIONS:
- 23 (A) A PERSON WHO SELLS, DELIVERS, OR IMPORTS SPIRITS IN
- 24 VIOLATION OF SECTION 901(4) IN THE AMOUNT OF AT LEAST 80,000
- 25 MILLILITERS IS GUILTY OF A FELONY PUNISHABLE BY IMPRISONMENT FOR
- 26 NOT MORE THAN 4 YEARS OR A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$5,000.00, OR
- 27 BOTH.

- 1 (B) A PERSON WHO SELLS, DELIVERS, OR IMPORTS SPIRITS IN
- 2 VIOLATION OF SECTION 901(4) IN THE AMOUNT OF 8,000 MILLILITERS BUT
- 3 LESS THAN 80,000 MILLILITERS IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR PUNISHABLE
- 4 BY IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN 93 DAYS OR A FINE OF NOT MORE
- 5 THAN \$2,500.00, OR BOTH.
- 6 (C) A PERSON WHO SELLS, DELIVERS, OR IMPORTS SPIRITS IN
- 7 VIOLATION OF SECTION 901(4) IN THE AMOUNT OF LESS THAN 8,000
- 8 MILLILITERS IS RESPONSIBLE FOR A STATE CIVIL INFRACTION AND MAY BE
- 9 ORDERED TO PAY A CIVIL FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$1,000.00.
- 10 (5) THE REMEDIES UNDER THIS ACT ARE CUMULATIVE AND
- 11 INDEPENDENT. THE USE OF 1 REMEDY BY A PERSON DOES NOT BAR THE USE
- 12 OF OTHER LAWFUL REMEDIES BY THAT PERSON OR THE USE OF A LAWFUL
- 13 REMEDY BY ANOTHER PERSON.
- 14 (6) (4)—It is the intent of the legislature that the court, in
- 15 imposing punishment under this section, should discriminate between
- 16 casual or slight violations and habitual sales of alcoholic liquor
- 17 or attempts to commercialize violations of this act or the rules or
- 18 regulations promulgated under this act.
- 19 Sec. 1027. (1) Unless otherwise provided by rule of the
- 20 commission, a person shall not conduct samplings or tastings of any
- 21 alcoholic liquor for a commercial purpose except at premises that
- 22 are licensed by the commission for the sale and consumption of
- 23 alcoholic liquor on the premises.
- 24 (2) This section does not prevent either of the following:
- 25 (a) A vendor of spirits, brewer, wine maker, mixed spirit
- 26 drink manufacturer, small wine maker, outstate seller of beer,
- 27 outstate seller of wine, or outstate seller of mixed spirit drink,

- 1 or a bona fide market research organization retained by 1 of the
- 2 persons named in this subsection, from conducting samplings or
- 3 tastings of an alcoholic liquor product before it is approved for
- 4 sale in this state if the sampling or tasting is conducted pursuant
- 5 to prior written approval of the commission.
- 6 (b) An on-premises licensee from giving a sampling or tasting
- 7 of alcoholic liquor to an employee of the licensee during the legal
- 8 hours for consumption for the purpose of educating the employee
- 9 regarding 1 or more types of alcoholic liquor so long as the
- 10 employee is at least 21 years of age.
- 11 (c) A small distiller licensee from giving a sampling or
- 12 tasting of brands it manufactures on the licensed premises.
- 13 (3) A SUPPLIER OF SPIRITS OR AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE MAY
- 14 CONDUCT A CONSUMER SAMPLING EVENT ON THE PREMISES OF A HOLDER OF A
- 15 SPECIALLY DESIGNATED DISTRIBUTOR LICENSE, SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING
- 16 TERMS:
- 17 (A) THE COMMISSION MUST BE NOTIFIED IN WRITING A MINIMUM OF 5
- 18 WORKING DAYS PRIOR TO THE EVENT WITH THE DATE, TIME, AND LOCATION
- 19 OF THE EVENT.
- 20 (B) SAMPLING EVENTS MUST BE LIMITED TO 3 PER SPECIALLY
- 21 DESIGNATED DISTRIBUTOR LICENSEE WITHIN A CALENDAR MONTH.
- 22 (C) THE SUPPLIER OF SPIRITS OR AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE
- 23 CONDUCTING THE SAMPLING EVENT MUST HAVE A LICENSED REPRESENTATIVE
- 24 PRESENT AT THE SPECIALLY DESIGNATED DISTRIBUTOR'S ESTABLISHMENT.
- 25 (D) LICENSED REPRESENTATIVES OR AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE
- 26 MAY DISTRIBUTE MERCHANDISE, NOT TO EXCEED \$100.00 IN VALUE, TO
- 27 CONSUMERS 21 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER DURING THE EVENT.

- 1 (E) PARTICIPATING SPECIALLY DESIGNATED DISTRIBUTOR LICENSEES
- 2 DO NOT RECEIVE ANY FEE OR OTHER VALUABLE CONSIDERATION FOR
- 3 PARTICIPATING IN THE EVENT.
- 4 (F) EACH CONSUMER IS LIMITED TO 3 SAMPLES, WHICH TOTAL NO MORE
- 5 THAN 1/3 OUNCE OF DISTILLED SPIRITS PER SERVING.
- 6 (G) THE CONSUMER SHALL NOT BE CHARGED FOR ANY SAMPLE.
- 7 (H) THE ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR USED IN THE CONSUMER SAMPLING EVENT
- 8 IS PROVIDED BY THE SUPPLIER OF SPIRITS OR AN AUTHORIZED
- 9 REPRESENTATIVE, AND PURCHASED AT THE REGULAR SALE PRICE FROM THE
- 10 SPECIALLY DESIGNATED DISTRIBUTOR ON WHOSE PREMISES THE EVENT IS
- 11 LOCATED. THE SUPPLIER OF SPIRITS SHALL REMOVE ANY UNFINISHED
- 12 PRODUCT FROM THE PREMISES AT WHICH THE EVENT IS HELD UPON
- 13 COMPLETION OF THE EVENT.
- 14 (I) A CONSUMER SAMPLING EVENT SHALL NOT BE ALLOWED WHEN THE
- 15 SALE OF ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR IS OTHERWISE PROHIBITED ON THE PREMISES AT
- 16 WHICH THE EVENT IS CONDUCTED.
- 17 (J) SAMPLES ARE NOT TO BE OFFERED TO, OR ALLOWED TO BE
- 18 CONSUMED BY, ANY PERSON UNDER THE LEGAL AGE FOR CONSUMING ALCOHOLIC
- 19 LIQUOR.
- 20 (K) A CONSUMER SAMPLING EVENT MAY BE ADVERTISED IN ANY TYPE OF
- 21 MEDIA AND THE ADVERTISEMENTS MAY INCLUDE THE DATE, TIME, LOCATION,
- 22 AND OTHER INFORMATION REGARDING THE EVENT.
- 23 (1) THE PARTICIPATING SUPPLIER OF SPIRITS OR AN AUTHORIZED
- 24 REPRESENTATIVE AND SPECIALLY DESIGNATED DISTRIBUTOR LICENSEES MUST
- 25 COMPLY WITH THIS ACT AND COMMISSION RULES.
- 26 (M) THE SUPPLIER OF SPIRITS OR AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE
- 27 MUST DEMONSTRATE SUFFICIENT SERVER TRAINING OF THE INDIVIDUAL

- 1 ACTUALLY CONDUCTING THE SAMPLING IN THE MANNER PROVIDED FOR IN
- 2 SECTION 906 AND RULES PROMULGATED BY THE COMMISSION.
- 3 (4) VIOLATION OF THIS SUBSECTION SUBJECTS THE SUPPLIER OF
- 4 SPIRITS OR AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE TO THE FOLLOWING SANCTIONS:
- 5 (A) FOR A FIRST VIOLATION, DENIAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR A
- 6 CONSUMER SAMPLING EVENT FOR UP TO 14 DAYS.
- 7 (B) FOR A SECOND OR SUBSEQUENT VIOLATION, DENIAL OF A SPIRIT
- 8 SAMPLING LICENSE FOR AT LEAST 14 DAYS OR LONGER, AS DETERMINED BY
- 9 THE COMMISSION.
- 10 (5) (3)—A sampling or tasting of any alcoholic liquor in a
- 11 home or domicile for other than a commercial purpose is not subject
- 12 to this section.
- (6) (4) For purposes of this section, "commercial purpose"
- 14 means a purpose for which monetary gain or other remuneration could
- 15 reasonably be expected.
- 16 SEC. 1029. (1) THE COMMISSION, BY PROMULGATION OF A RULE,
- 17 ISSUANCE OF AN ORDER, OR EXECUTION OF A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
- 18 WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY, OR ANY COMBINATION THEREOF, SHALL
- 19 ALLOW THE CONDUCT BY A MANUFACTURER OR OUT-STATE SELLER OF SPIRITS
- 20 OF A PREAPPROVED PROGRAM FOR MARKETING SPIRITS BY INCLUSION OF
- 21 NONALCOHOLIC CARBONATED BEVERAGES TO BE PACKAGED WITH SPIRITS. THE
- 22 COMMISSION SHALL ADOPT A PROGRAM THAT DISALLOWS THE REDEMPTION OF
- 23 RETURNABLE CONTAINERS FROM THE COMMISSION BUT OTHERWISE ALLOWS
- 24 REDEMPTION OF MICHIGAN-SOLD RETURNABLE CONTAINERS AT OTHER VENUES,
- 25 AND SHALL ALLOW FOR A SYSTEM OF APPROPRIATE ALLOCATION OF FUNDS
- 26 UNDER 1976 IL 1, MCL 445.571 TO 445.576.
- 27 (2) THE COMMISSION SHALL PROMULGATE RULES TO PROVIDE FOR A

- 1 SYSTEM OF NON-MAIL-IN OR INSTANT COUPON TRANSACTIONS THAT DOES NOT
- 2 DIMINISH THE SPIRIT PRODUCT MARGINS ALLOCATED TO THE STATE UNDER
- 3 THIS ACT.
- 4 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
- 5 unless Senate Bill No. \_\_\_\_ or House Bill No. 6427(request no.
- 6 06912'10 a \*\*) of the 95th Legislature is enacted into law.

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