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Senate Bill 27 (as introduced 1-16-13) Sponsor: Senator Dave Hildenbrand Committee: Regulatory Reform

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CONTENT

The bill would amend the Michigan Liquor Control Code to permit an eligible merchant to refill growlers with beer for off-premises consumption, under the following conditions:

- -- The place of refilling complied with food service establishment requirements under the Food Law.
- -- Growlers were clearly labeled and sealed in compliance with existing requirements for labeling and sale for consumption off the premises.
- -- The merchant complied with all applicable rules promulgated by the Liquor Control Commission.

The bill would define "eligible merchant" as a person that holds both a class C license and a specially designated merchant license.

"Growler" would mean any clean, refillable, resealable, container with a liquid capacity of one gallon or less.

(A class C licensee is a vendor that may sell beer, wine, mixed spirit drinks, and spirits at retail for consumption on the premises. A specially designated merchant may sell beer and wine at retail for consumption off the premises only.)

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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