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STATE OF MICHIGAN 100TH LEGISLATURE REGULAR SESSION OF 2020

Introduced by Reps. Anthony, Webber, Hood and Tyrone Carter

ENROLLED HOUSE BILL No. 5811

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 537a.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

Sec. 537a. (1) Notwithstanding anything in this act to the contrary, a qualified licensee may fill and sell qualified containers with alcoholic liquor for consumption off the premises under the following conditions:

- (a) The qualified licensee or his or her agent or employee does not fill the qualified container in advance of the sale.
 - (b) The qualified licensee complies with all applicable rules promulgated by the commission.
 - (c) The qualified licensee or his or her agent seals the qualified container.
- (2) Notwithstanding anything in this act to the contrary, a qualified licensee may deliver alcoholic liquor to a consumer in this state if all of the following conditions are met:
- (a) The qualified licensee complies with all laws of this state, including, but not limited to, the prohibition on sales to minors.
- (b) The qualified licensee stamps, prints, or labels on the outside of the qualified container "Contains Alcohol. Must be delivered to a person 21 years of age or older.". The recipient at the time of the delivery shall provide identification verifying his or her age.
 - (c) The qualified licensee or his or her agent seals the qualified container.
- (d) If the qualified licensee is a retailer, the alcoholic liquor is delivered by the qualified licensee's employee or a third party facilitator service, as that term is defined in section 203.

- (e) If the qualified licensee is a manufacturer, the alcoholic liquor is delivered by the qualified licensee's employee.
- (3) Except as otherwise allowed under this act, a qualified licensee shall not sell alcoholic liquor in its original package under this section.
 - (4) This section does not apply after December 31, 2025.
 - (5) As used in this section:
 - (a) "Consumer" means that term as defined in section 203.
- (b) "Qualified container" means a clean, sealable container that is for the sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption off the premises, that has a liquid capacity that does not exceed 1 gallon, and that, after it is filled, is sealed with a device or material that is used to fully close off the container securely with no perforations or straw holes.
 - (c) "Qualified licensee" means any of the following:
- (i) A retailer that holds a license, other than a special license, to sell alcoholic liquor for consumption on the licensed premises.
 - (ii) A manufacturer with an on-premises tasting room permit issued under section 536.
 - (iii) A manufacturer that holds an off-premises tasting room license issued under section 536.
 - (iv) A manufacturer that holds a joint off-premises tasting room license issued under section 536.

Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect unless all of the following bills of the 100th Legislature are enacted into law:

- (a) Senate Bill No. 942.
- (b) House Bill No. 5781.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.

Clerk of the House of Representatives

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