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Senate Bill 87 (as reported without amendment)

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CONTENT

The bill would amend the Liquor Control Code to require the Liquor Control Commission to suspend the license of a liquor retailer for 14 days if the retailer had made six or more payments to a wholesaler that had been dishonored by a financial institution in violation of the Code on different dates in 12 consecutive months.

Proposed MCL 436.1804

BRIEF RATIONALE

According to testimony before the Senate Committee on Regulatory Affairs, an increasing number of incidents have been reported of retailers bouncing checks or temporarily defaulting on electronic fund transfer payments as a regular part of doing business. This can hurt a wholesaler's ability to remit tax payments to the State. Some have argued that the State should do more to deter a retailer from defaulting on payments by temporarily revoking the retailer's liquor license.

PREVIOUS LEGISLATION

(This section does not provide a comprehensive account of all previous legislative efforts on the relevant subject matter.)

The bill is similar to Senate Bill 732 from the 2023-2024 Legislative Session. Senate Bill 732 passed the Senate and was reported by the House Committee on Regulatory Reform but received no further action.

FISCAL IMPACT

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

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