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House Bill 733

(Delegate Barkley)

Economic Matters

Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

Alcoholic Beverages - Multiple Manufacturer's Licenses - Sampling, Sale, and Consumption of Products

This bill authorizes the holder of multiple manufacturer's licenses at the same location to allow the sampling, sales, and consumption of products produced under the licenses at each of the licensed premises, consistent with the authorization of each license. A farm brewery license holder may apply for and obtain, under a different name, one or more additional licenses for the same or other premises. Additionally, the bill repeals prohibitions against distillery, rectifying, limited winery, and farm brewery license holders from selling or allowing to be consumed at the licensed premises any product other than products produced by the license holder.

The bill takes effect July 1, 2016.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: The bill does not materially affect State finances or operations.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: Minimal. Manufacturing license holders benefit from being able to sell specified products at the licensed premises, and farm brewery license holders benefit from being able to apply for, and obtain, under a different name, one or more additional licenses for the same or other premises.

Analysis

Current Law: There are nine different types of manufacturer's licenses: Class 1 distillery license, Class 2 rectifying license, Class 3 winery license, Class 4 limited winery license, Class 5 brewery license, Class 6 pub-brewery license, Class 7 micro-brewery license, Class 8 farm brewery license, and Class 9 limited distillery license. Generally, a manufacturing license holder may not sell or allow to be consumed at the licensed premises any product other than products produced by the license holder.

The holder of a distillery, rectifying, winery, limited winery, or brewery license may apply for and obtain, under a different name, one or more additional licenses for the same or other premises.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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