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8 SYNOPSIS: This bill would allow adult persons to
9 produce homebrewed beer, mead, cider, and wine in
10 limited amounts for personal use.

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12 A BILL
13 TO BE ENTITLED
14 AN ACT
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16 To permit adult persons to produce homebrewed beer,
17 mead, cider, and wine for personal use.

18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

19 Section 1. (a) Notwithstanding any provisions to the
20 contrary, a person who is not prohibited by Section 28-1-5,
21 Code of Alabama 1975, from purchasing, consuming, possessing,
22 or transporting alcoholic beverages due to age may produce
23 beer, mead, cider, and wine for personal and noncommercial
24 uses, in the amounts specified in this section, without
25 payment of taxes or fees and without obtaining a license. The
26 aggregate amount of the beer, mead, cider, and wine permitted
27 to be produced under this section, with respect to any

1 household, shall not exceed the aggregate amounts specified in
2 26 U.S.C §5053(e).

3 (b) Beer, mead, cider, or wine produced under this
4 section may not be sold or offered for sale.

5 (c) Beer, mead, cider, or wine produced under this
6 section may be removed from the premises where it was produced
7 and may be transported for personal and noncommercial uses,
8 including use at organized events, such as homebrewing
9 competitions, tastings, judgments, and craft exhibitions.
10 Organized events involving beer, mead, cider, or wine produced
11 for personal use may be held on the premises of entities
12 licensed under Title 28, Code of Alabama 1975, without
13 violating the terms or conditions of licensure.

14 (d) Nothing in this section permits the production
15 of distilled liquors, such as bourbon, whiskey, rum, or vodka,
16 for personal use or otherwise.

17 (e) Nothing in this section permits a person less
18 than 21 years of age to purchase, consume, possess, or
19 transport beer, mead, cider, or wine produced for personal
20 use.

21 (f) Nothing in this section permits the production
22 of beer, mead, cider, and wine in a dry municipality, as the
23 term is defined in Chapter 3 of Title 28, Code of Alabama
24 1975, and, with the exception of wet municipalities, as the
25 term is defined in Chapter 3 of Title 28, Code of Alabama
26 1975, nothing in this section permits the production of beer,

1 mead, cider, and wine in a dry county, as defined in Chapter 3
2 of Title 28, Code of Alabama 1975.

3 Section 2. This act shall become effective
4 immediately following its passage and approval by the
5 Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.