

# ACT No. 393

2015 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 331

BY REPRESENTATIVE BERTHELOT

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 40:627(A) and to enact R.S. 26:793(D) and R.S. 40:627(E),  
3 relative to alcoholic beverage labels; to transfer the authority for the registration and  
4 label review of alcoholic beverages; to provide for administrative rules; and to  
5 provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 26:793(D) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §793. Additional powers of the commissioner

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10 D.(1) The commissioner shall provide by rule for the registration, including  
11 submission and review of the container label, of all alcoholic beverages prior to  
12 being sold in this state.

13 (2) The commissioner may require the use of an electronic submission  
14 system by any person submitting an alcoholic beverage for registration and review.

15 (3) The submission of a Certificate of Label Approval prepared in  
16 compliance with the requirements of the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau  
17 shall constitute satisfactory compliance for the registration of products and labels  
18 pursuant to this Subsection, and the registration shall become effective upon  
19 submission of a completed application.

20 Section 2. R.S. 40:627(A) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 40:627(E) is  
21 hereby enacted to read as follows:

22 §627. Registration of certain products

23 A. ~~The~~ Except as provided in Subsection E of this Section, the department  
24 may require all manufacturers, packers, or proprietors of processed foods,

1           proprietary or patent medicines, prophylactic devices, and cosmetics, in package  
 2           form, to register each separate and distinct product annually with the department and  
 3           to supply it with a sample of each such product upon request.

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5                   E. This Section shall not apply to alcoholic beverages. For the purposes of  
 6           this Section, "alcoholic beverages" has the same meaning as assigned in R.S. 26:2  
 7           and 241.

8           Section 3. All administrative rules previously adopted by the Department of Health  
 9           and Hospitals relative to the registration of or review of labels for alcoholic beverages shall  
 10          remain in full force and effect until such time as the commissioner of the office of alcohol  
 11          and tobacco control promulgates rules pursuant to this Act.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

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