SENATE BILL NO. 813

## SENATE FLOOR VERSION

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#### Abstract

An Act relating to alcoholic beverage licenses; creating a complimentary beverage license for certain purpose; stating eligibility for license; restricting purchases to certain providers; exempting employees who serve beverages from licensure; making license renewable annually; exempting license from permanent location requirement; allowing winery and brewer to serve samples and sealed product on certain premises; amending Section 13, Chapter 366, O.S.L. 2016, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 312, O.S.L. 2018 (37A O.S. Supp. 2018, Section 2-101), which relates to license fees; setting license fees; providing for codification; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.


BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:
SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2-159 of Title 37A, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A complimentary beverage license shall authorize the holder thereof: To provide, free of charge for on premises consumption only, no more than two alcoholic beverages containing spirits, twelve (12) ounces of wine, or twenty-four (24) ounces of beer per day, to a guest or client who is twenty-one (21) years of age or older. This license shall not be issued to a business which
possesses any other form of license issued by the ABLE Commission, except for event-type licenses. Complimentary beverage licenses shall only be issued to a business located in a building or structure that has a permanent physical address. This license shall only be issued to businesses which involve retail sales or provide services to its clients including, but not limited to, furniture stores, art studios, nail salons, hair salons, cigar stores, clothing stores, bridal shops or business support services. A chamber of commerce, main street, economic development authority, vocational trade school, higher education college or similar organization promoting economic development or an organization that is exempt from taxation pursuant to the provisions of subsection (c) of Section 501 of the United States Internal Revenue Code shall also qualify for a complimentary beverage license. A business whose patronage is primarily persons under the age of eighteen (18), is a restaurant or a business that provides adult entertainment shall not qualify for a license. Upon issuance of the license, the business shall purchase all of its alcoholic beverages from a brewer, winemaker, retail spirit, retail beer, or retail wine licensee and will become a licensed premise subject to inspection by any ABLE Commission agent or any other peace officer, pursuant to Section 5115 of Title 37 A of the Oklahoma Statutes. Employees who serve the alcoholic beverage shall be twenty-one (21) years of age or older and shall not be required to obtain an employee license. A
complimentary beverage license shall not be used in lieu of a mixed beverage, caterer, brew pub, brewer, public event, special event, beer and wine, or charitable event license. This license is an annual license and renewable on an annual basis.

A chamber of commerce, main street, economic development authority, vocational trade school, higher education college or similar organization promoting economic development shall be exempt from the permanent location requirement and permitted to utilize the license at other locations within the city in which they are located or on their campus for member recruitment, education and development of new business functions.

The holder of an Oklahoma winery or brewers license may serve free samples and offer for sale sealed product for off premises consumption at temporary tastings on the premises of a complimentary beverage licensee.

SECTION 2. AMENDATORY Section 13, Chapter 366, O.S.L. 2016, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 312, O.S.L. 2018 (37A O.S. Supp. 2018, Section 2-101), is amended to read as follows:

Section 2-101. A. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the licenses issued by the ABLE Commission, and the annual fees therefor, shall be as follows:

1. Brewer License....................................... $\$ 1,250.00$
2. Small Brewer License................................. $\$ 125.00$
3. Distiller License............................... $\$ 3$, 125. 00

| 1 | 4. Winemaker License. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $\$ 625.00$ |
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| 2 | 5. Small Farm Winery License............................ ${ }^{\text {a }} 75.00$ |
| 3 | 6. Rectifier License. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $\$ 3$ 3,125.00 |
| 4 | 7. Wine and Spirits Wholesaler License............ \$3,000.00 |
| 5 | 8. Beer Distributor License........................... $\$ 750.00$ |
| 6 | 9. The following retail spirits license fees shall be |
| 7 | determined by the latest Federal Decennial Census: |
| 8 | a. Retail Spirits License for cities and |
| 9 | towns from 200 to 2,500 population......... \$305.00 |
| 10 | b. Retail Spirits License for cities and |
| 11 | towns from 2,501 to 5,000 population....... \$605.00 |
| 12 | c. Retail Spirits License for cities and |
| 13 | towns over 5,000 population................. \$905.00 |
| 14 | 10. Retail Wine License........................... $\$ 1,000.00$ |
| 15 | 11. Retail Beer License................................ $\$ 500.00$ |
| 16 | 12. Mixed Beverage License. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . \$1,005.00 |
| 17 | (initial license) |
| 18 | \$905.00 |
| 19 | (renewal) |
| 20 | 13. Mixed Beverage/Caterer Combination License..... $\$ 1,250.00$ |
| 21 | 14. On-Premises Beer and Wine License............... $\$ 500.00$ |
| 22 | (initial license) |
| 23 | \$450.00 |
| 24 | (renewal) |

15. Bottle Club License. ..... $\$ 1,000.00$
(initial license)$\$ 900.00$(renewal)
16. Caterer License ..... $\$ 1,005.00$
(initial license)$\$ 905.00$
17. Annual Special Event License ..... $\$ 55.00$
18. Quarterly Special Event License ..... $\$ 55.00$
19. Hotel Beverage License ..... $\$ 1,005.00$
(initial license)$\$ 905.00$(renewal)
20. Airline/Railroad Beverage License ..... $\$ 1,005.00$
(initial license)$\$ 905.00$
(renewal)
21. Agent License ..... $\$ 55.00$
22. Employee License ..... $\$ 30.00$
23. Industrial License ..... \$23.00
24. Carrier License ..... \$23.00
25. Private Carrier License ..... $\$ 23.00$
26. Bonded Warehouse License ..... $\$ 190.00$
 Code.
27. There shall be added to the fee for a Mixed Beverage/Caterer Combination License an administrative fee, which shall not be deemed to be a license fee, in the amount of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00), which shall be paid at the same time and in the same manner as the license fee prescribed by paragraph 11 of subsection $A$ of this section.
C. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection $A$ of this section:
28. The license fee for a mixed beverage or bottle club license for those service organizations or fraternal beneficiary societies which are exempt under Section 501(c)(19), (8) or (10) of the Internal Revenue Code shall be Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) per year; and
29. The renewal fee for an airline/railroad beverage license held by a railroad described in 49 U.S.C., Section 24301, shall be One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00).
D. An applicant may apply for and receive both an on-premises beer and wine license and a caterer license.
E. All licenses, except as otherwise provided, shall be valid for one (1) year from date of issuance unless revoked or surrendered. Provided, all employee licenses shall be valid for two (2) years.
F. The holder of a license, issued by the ABLE Commission, for a bottle club located in a county of this state where the sale of
alcoholic beverages by the individual drink for on-premises consumption has been authorized, may exchange the bottle club license for a mixed beverage license or an on-premises beer and wine license and operate the licensed premises as a mixed beverage establishment or an on-premises beer and wine establishment subject to the provisions of the Oklahoma Alcoholic Beverage Control Act. There shall be no additional fee for such exchange and the mixed beverage license or on-premises beer and wine license issued shall expire one (1) year from the date of issuance of the original bottle club license.
G. In addition to the applicable licensing fee, the following surcharge shall be assessed annually on the following licenses:
30. Nonresident Seller or Manufacturer License...... \$2,500.00
31. Wine and Spirits Wholesaler License............ \$2,500.00
32. Beer Distributor................................... $\$ 1,000.00$
33. Retail Spirits License for cities and towns over 5,000 population............................. $\$ 250.00$
34. Retail Spirits License for cities and towns from 2,501 to 5,000 population.................... \$200.00
35. Retail Spirits License for cities and towns from 200 to 2,500 population........................ $\$ 150.00$
36. Retail Wine License $\$ 250.00$
37. Retail Beer License $\$ 250.00$
38. Mixed Beverage License............................... $\$ 25.00$
39. Mixed Beverage/Caterer Combination License ..... $\$ 25.00$
40. Caterer License ..... $\$ 25.00$
41. On-Premises Beer and Wine License ..... $\$ 25.00$
42. Annual Public Event License ..... $\$ 25.00$
43. Small Farm Winery License ..... $\$ 25.00$
44. Small Brewer License ..... $\$ 35.00$
45. Complimentary Beverage License. ..... $\$ 25.00$
The surcharge shall be paid concurrent with the licensee'sannual licensing fee and, in addition to Five Dollars (\$5.00) of theemployee license fee, shall be deposited in the Alcoholic BeverageGovernance Revolving Fund established pursuant to Section 5-128 ofthis title.
H. Any license issued by the ABLE Commission under this title may be relied upon by other licensees as a valid license, and no other licensee shall have any obligation to independently determine the validity of such license or be held liable solely as a consequence of another licensee's failure to maintain a valid license.

SECTION 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 2019.
SECTION 4. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby

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declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
be in full force from and after its passage and approval.
COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS, COMMERCE AND TOURISM
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