## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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AN ACT

Amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), entitled, as reenacted, "An act relating to alcoholic liquors, alcohol and malt and brewed beverages; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto; regulating and restricting the manufacture, purchase, sale, possession, consumption, importation, transportation, furnishing, holding in bond, holding in storage, traffic in and use of alcoholic liquors, alcohol and malt and brewed beverages and the persons engaged or employed therein; defining the powers and duties of the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board; providing for the establishment and operation of State liquor stores, for the payment of certain license fees to the respective municipalities and townships, for the abatement of certain nuisances and, in certain cases, for search and seizure without warrant; prescribing penalties and forfeitures; providing for local option, and repealing existing laws," in preliminary provisions, further providing for definitions; in Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board, further providing for general powers of board; in Pennsylvania Liquor Stores, further providing for board to establish State liquor stores, for when sales may be made at Pennsylvania Liquor Stores, and for sales by Pennsylvania Liquor Stores; and, in licenses and regulations and liquor and alcohol and malt and brewed beverages, further providing for authority to issue liquor licenses to hotels, restaurants and clubs, for sale of malt or brewed beverages by liquor licensees, for malt and brewed beverages manufacturers', distributors' and importing distributors' licenses, for distributors' and importing distributors' restrictions on sales, storage, etc., for retail dispensers' restrictions on purchases and sales and for renewal of licenses and temporary provisions for licenses
in armed service, providing for license auction and further providing for revocation and suspension of licenses and fines and for shipment of wine into Commonwealth, providing for direct shipment of wine and for unlawful acts relative to liquor, malt and brewed beverages and licensees and for premises to be vacated by patrons.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. The definitions of "distributor," "holiday," "importing distributor" and "retail dispenser" in section 102 of the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, reenacted and amended June 29, 1987 (P.L.32, No.14) and amended or added May 31, 1996 (P.L.312, No.49) and December 8, 2004 (P.L.1810, No.239), are amended to read:

Section 102. Definitions.--The following words or phrases, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section:

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"Distributor" shall mean any person licensed by the board to engage in the purchase only from Pennsylvania manufacturers and from importing distributors and the resale of malt or brewed beverages, except to importing distributors and distributors, in the original sealed containers as prepared for the market by the manufacturer at the place of manufacture, but not for consumption on the premises where sold, and in quantities of not less than a case or original containers containing one hundred twenty-eight ounces or more, or as provided in section $431(\mathrm{~g})$, which may be sold separately.

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"Holiday" shall mean the first day of January, commonly known as New Year's Day; [the third Monday of January, known as Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Day; the third Monday in February, known as Presidents' Day; the last Monday in May, known as

Memorial Day; the fourth day of July, known as Independence Day; [the first Monday of September, known as Labor Day; the fourth Thursday in November, known as Thanksgiving Day; and the twenty-fifth day of December, known as Christmas Day.
"Importing distributor" shall mean any person licensed by the board to engage in the purchase from manufacturers and other persons located outside this Commonwealth and from persons licensed as manufacturers of malt or brewed beverages and importing distributors under this act, and the resale of malt or brewed beverages in the original sealed containers as prepared for the market by the manufacturer at the place of manufacture, but not for consumption on the premises where sold, and in quantities of not less than a case or original containers containing one hundred twenty-eight ounces or more, or as provided in section $431(g)$, which may be sold separately.

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"Retail dispenser" shall mean any person licensed to engage in the retail sale of malt or brewed beverages for consumption on the premises of such licensee, with the privilege of selling malt or brewed beverages in quantities not in excess of [one hundred ninety-two fluid ounces in a single sale to one person] three hundred eighty-four ounces in not more than twenty-four original containers in a single sale to one person as provided in section 407 , provided the licensee may not sell a package as prepared for sale or distribution by the manufacturer containing more than twelve containers, to be carried from the premises by the purchaser thereof.

Section 2. Section 207 (a) and (b) of the act, amended

November 30, 2004 (P.L.727, No.221) and December 8, 2004 (P.L.1810, No.239), are amended and the section is amended by adding subsections to read:

Section 207. General Powers of Board.--Under this act, the board shall have the power and its duty shall be:
(a) To buy, import or have in its possession for sale and sell liquor, alcohol, corkscrews, wine and liquor accessories, trade publications, gift cards, gift certificates, wine- or liquor-scented candles and wine glasses in the manner set forth in this act: Provided, however, That all purchases shall be made subject to the approval of the State Treasurer, or his designated deputy. The board shall buy liquor and alcohol at the lowest price and in the greatest variety reasonably obtainable. Such sales and purchases may be to or from persons or entities located both in and outside this Commonwealth.
(b) To control the manufacture, possession, sale, consumption, importation, use, storage, transportation and delivery of liquor, alcohol and malt or brewed beverages in accordance with the provisions of this act, and to fix the wholesale and retail prices at which liquors and alcohol shall be sold at Pennsylvania Liquor Stores. Prices shall be [proportional with prices paid by the board to its suppliers and shall reflect any advantage obtained through volume purchases by the board. The board may establish a preferential price structure for wines produced within this Commonwealth for the promotion of such wines, as long as the price structure is uniform within each class of wine purchased by the board.] as set forth by the board so long as the price of a particular item is uniform throughout this Commonwealth. The board shall require each Pennsylvania manufacturer and each nonresident manufacturer
of liquors, other than wine, selling such liquors to the board, which are not manufactured in this Commonwealth, to make application for and be granted a permit by the board before such liquors not manufactured in this Commonwealth shall be purchased from such manufacturer. Each such manufacturer shall pay for such permit a fee which, in the case of a manufacturer of this Commonwealth, shall be equal to that required to be paid, if any, by a manufacturer or wholesaler of the state, territory or country of origin of the liquors, for selling liquors manufactured in Pennsylvania, and in the case of a nonresident manufacturer, shall be equal to that required to be paid, if any, in such state, territory or country by Pennsylvania manufacturers doing business in such state, territory or country. In the event that any such manufacturer shall, in the opinion of the board, sell or attempt to sell liquors to the board through another person for the purpose of evading this provision relating to permits, the board shall require such person, before purchasing liquors from him or it, to take out a permit and pay the same fee as hereinbefore required to be paid by such manufacturer. All permit fees so collected shall be paid into the State Stores Fund. The board shall not purchase any alcohol or liquor fermented, distilled, rectified, compounded or bottled in any state, territory or country, the laws of which result in prohibiting the importation therein of alcohol or liquor, fermented, distilled, rectified, compounded or bottled in Pennsylvania.

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(l) To be licensed as a lottery sales agent, as set forth in section 305 of the act of August 26, 1971 (P.L.351, No.91), known as the "State Lottery Law," and to take any actions
have authority to purchase such equipment and appointments as may be required in the operation of such stores or establishments.

Section 4. Section 304 of the act, amended December 8, 2004 (P.L.1810, No.239), is amended to read:

Section 304. When Sales May Be Made at Pennsylvania Liquor Stores.--(a) Except as provided for in subsection (b), every Pennsylvania Liquor Store shall be open for business week days, except holidays as that term is defined in section 102 . The board may, with the approval of the Governor, temporarily close any store in any municipality.
(b) Certain Pennsylvania Liquor Stores operated by the board [shall] may be open for Sunday retail sales between the hours of [noon] nine o'clock antemeridian and [five] nine o'clock postmeridian, except that no Sunday sales shall occur on Easter Sunday or Christmas day. The board shall open [up to twenty-five per centum of the total number of Pennsylvania Liquor Stores at its discretion], at its discretion, as many Pennsylvania Liquor Stores as it deems necessary for Sunday sales as provided for in this subsection. The board shall submit yearly reports to the Appropriations and the Law and Justice Committees of the Senate and the Appropriations and the Liquor Control Committees of the House of Representatives summarizing the total dollar value of sales under this section.

Section 5. Section $305(\mathrm{~b})$ of the act, amended July 6, 2005 (P.L.135, No.39), is amended and the section is amended by adding a subsection to read:

Section 305. Sales by Pennsylvania Liquor Stores. - - * * *
(b) Every Pennsylvania Liquor Store shall sell liquors at wholesale to hotels, restaurants, clubs, and railroad, pullman
and steamship companies licensed under this act; and, under the regulations of the board, to pharmacists duly licensed and registered under the laws of the Commonwealth, and to manufacturing pharmacists, and to reputable hospitals approved by the board, or chemists. Sales to licensees shall be made at a price that includes a discount of ten per centum from the retail price. The board may sell to registered pharmacists only such liquors as conform to the Pharmacopoeia of the United States, the National Formulary, or the American Homeopathic

Pharmacopoeia. The board may sell at special prices under the regulations of the board, to United States Armed Forces facilities which are located on United States Armed Forces installations and are conducted pursuant to the authority and regulations of the United States Armed Forces. All other sales by such stores shall be at retail[.], except that incentives, such as coupons or discounts on certain products, may be offered to unlicensed customers of the board as provided for under sections $207(\mathrm{~m})$ and $493(24)$ (iii). A person entitled to purchase liquor at wholesale prices may purchase the liquor at any Pennsylvania Liquor Store upon tendering cash, check or credit card for the full amount of the purchase. For this purpose, the board shall issue a discount card to each licensee identifying such licensee as a person authorized to purchase liquor at wholesale prices. Such discount card shall be retained by the licensee. The board may contract through the Commonwealth bidding process for delivery to wholesale licensees at the expense of the licensee receiving the delivery.

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(j) If the board becomes a licensed lottery sales agent, as set forth in section 305 of the act of August 26, 1971 (P.L.351,

No.91), known as the "State Lottery Law," then the following shall apply, notwithstanding the provisions of the "State Lottery Law":
(i) The Secretary of Revenue shall permit the board to operate and maintain Pennsylvania lottery instant ticket vending machines, player-activated terminals and technologies or systems subsequently approved by the Department of Revenue for the selfservice sale of lottery tickets and games in Pennsylvania Liquor Stores. The board and the Secretary of Revenue shall mutually agree upon the number and location of the stores authorized to conduct self-service sales of lottery tickets and games.
(ii) The board shall not be required to post any type of bond prior to conducting self-service sales of lottery tickets and games.
(iii) Any commissions, compensation or any type of incentive award based upon the sale of lottery tickets and games shall be deposited by the board into the State Stores Fund.

Section 6. Section $401(\mathrm{a})$ of the act, amended December 22, 2011 (P.L.530, No.113), is amended to read:

Section 401. Authority to Issue Liquor Licenses to Hotels, Restaurants and Clubs.--(a) Subject to the provisions of this act and regulations promulgated under this act, the board shall have authority to issue a retail liquor license for any premises kept or operated by a hotel, restaurant or club and specified in the license entitling the hotel, restaurant or club to purchase liquor from a Pennsylvania Liquor Store and to keep on the premises such liquor and, subject to the provisions of this act and the regulations made thereunder, to sell the same and also malt or brewed beverages to guests, patrons or members for consumption on the hotel, restaurant or club premises. Such
licensees, other than clubs, shall be permitted to sell malt or brewed beverages for consumption off the premises where sold in quantities of not more than [one hundred ninety-two fluid ounces in a single sale to one person as provided for in section 407.] three hundred eighty-four ounces in not more than twenty-four original containers in a single sale to one person as provided for in section 407, provided the licensee may not sell a package as prepared for sale or distribution by the manufacturer containing more than twelve containers. Such licenses shall be known as hotel liquor licenses, restaurant liquor licenses and club liquor licenses, respectively. No person who holds any public office that involves the duty to enforce any of the penal laws of the United States, this Commonwealth or of any political subdivision of this Commonwealth may have any interest in a hotel or restaurant liquor license. This prohibition applies to anyone with arrest authority, including, but not limited to, United States attorneys, State attorneys general, district attorneys, sheriffs and police officers. This prohibition shall also apply to magisterial district judges, judges or any other individuals who can impose a criminal sentence. This prohibition does not apply to members of the General Assembly, township supervisors, city councilpersons, mayors without arrest authority and any other public official who does not have the ability to arrest or the ability to impose a criminal sentence. This section does not apply if the proposed premises are located outside the jurisdiction of the individual in question.

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Section 7. Section 407 (a) of the act, amended June 28, 2011 (P.L.55, No.11), is amended to read:

Section 407. Sale of Malt or Brewed Beverages by Liquor

Licensees.--(a) Every liquor license issued to a hotel, restaurant, club, or a railroad, pullman or steamship company under this subdivision (A) for the sale of liquor shall authorize the licensee to sell malt or brewed beverages at the same places but subject to the same restrictions and penalties as apply to sales of liquor, except that licensees other than clubs may sell malt or brewed beverages for consumption off the premises where sold in quantities of not more than [one hundred ninety-two fluid ounces in a single sale to one person.] three hundred eighty-four ounces in not more than twenty-four original containers in a single sale to one person, provided the licensee may not sell a package as prepared for sale or distribution by the manufacturer containing more than twelve containers. The sales may be made in either open or closed containers, Provided, however, That a municipality may adopt an ordinance restricting open containers in public places. No licensee under this subdivision (A) shall at the same time be the holder of any other class of license, except a retail dispenser's license authorizing the sale of malt or brewed beverages only.

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Section 8. Section $431(\mathrm{~b})$ of the act, amended December 8, 2004 (P.L.1810, No.239), is amended and the section is amended by adding a subsection to read:

Section 431. Malt and Brewed Beverages Manufacturers', Distributors' and Importing Distributors' Licenses.--* * *
(b) The board shall issue to any reputable person who applies therefor, and pays the license fee hereinafter prescribed, a distributor's or importing distributor's license for the place which such person desires to maintain for the sale of malt or brewed beverages, not for consumption on the premises
where sold, and except as provided for under subsection (g), in quantities of not less than a case or original containers containing one hundred twenty-eight ounces or more which may be sold separately as prepared for the market by the manufacturer at the place of manufacture. The board shall have the discretion to refuse a license to any person or to any corporation, partnership or association if such person, or any officer or director of such corporation, or any member or partner of such partnership or association shall have been convicted or found guilty of a felony within a period of five years immediately preceding the date of application for the said license: And provided further, That, in the case of any new license or the transfer of any license to a new location, the board may, in its discretion, grant or refuse such new license or transfer if such place proposed to be licensed is within three hundred feet of any church, hospital, charitable institution, school or public playground, or if such new license or transfer is applied for a place which is within two hundred feet of any other premises which is licensed by the board: And provided further, That the board shall refuse any application for a new license or the transfer of any license to a new location if, in the board's opinion, such new license or transfer would be detrimental to the welfare, health, peace and morals of the inhabitants of the neighborhood within a radius of five hundred feet of the place proposed to be licensed. The board shall refuse any application for a new license or the transfer of any license to a location where the sale of liquid fuels or oil is conducted. The board may enter into an agreement with the applicant concerning additional restrictions on the license in question. If the board and the applicant enter into such an agreement, such agreement

1 shall be binding on the applicant. Failure by the applicant to adhere to the agreement will be sufficient cause to form the basis for a citation under section 471 and for the nonrenewal of the license under section 470. If the board enters into an agreement with an applicant concerning additional restrictions, those restrictions shall be binding on subsequent holders of the license until the license is transferred to a new location or until the board enters into a subsequent agreement removing those restrictions. If the application in question involves a location previously licensed by the board, then any restrictions imposed by the board on the previous license at that location shall be binding on the applicant unless the board enters into a new agreement rescinding those restrictions. The board shall require notice to be posted on the property or premises upon which the licensee or proposed licensee will engage in sales of malt or brewed beverages. This notice shall be similar to the notice required of hotel, restaurant and club liquor licensees.

Except as hereinafter provided, such license shall authorize the holder thereof to sell or deliver malt or brewed beverages in quantities above specified anywhere within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, which, in the case of distributors, have been purchased only from persons licensed under this act as manufacturers or importing distributors, and in the case of importing distributors, have been purchased from manufacturers or persons outside this Commonwealth engaged in the legal sale of malt or brewed beverages or from manufacturers or importing distributors licensed under this article. In the case of an importing distributor, the holder of such a license shall be authorized to store and repackage malt or brewed beverages owned by a manufacturer at a segregated portion of a warehouse or
other storage facility authorized by section $441(d)$ and operated by the importing distributor within its appointed territory and deliver such beverages to another importing distributor who has been granted distribution rights by the manufacturer as provided herein. The importing distributor shall be permitted to receive a fee from the manufacturer for any related storage, repackaging or delivery services. In the case of a bailee for hire hired by a manufacturer, the holder of such a permit shall be authorized: to receive, store and repackage malt or brewed beverages produced by that manufacturer for sale by that manufacturer to importing distributors to whom that manufacturer has given distribution rights pursuant to this subsection or to purchasers outside this Commonwealth for delivery outside this Commonwealth; or to ship to that manufacturer's storage facilities outside this Commonwealth. The bailee for hire shall be permitted to receive a fee from the manufacturer for any related storage, repackaging or delivery services. The bailee for hire shall, as required in Article $V$ of this act, keep complete and accurate records of all transactions, inventory, receipts and shipments and make all records and the licensed areas available for inspection by the board and for the Pennsylvania State Police, Bureau of Liquor Control Enforcement, during normal business hours.

Each out of state manufacturer of malt or brewed beverages whose products are sold and delivered in this Commonwealth shall give distributing rights for such products in designated geographical areas to specific importing distributors, and such importing distributor shall not sell or deliver malt or brewed beverages manufactured by the out of state manufacturer to any person issued a license under the provisions of this act whose
licensed premises are not located within the geographical area for which he has been given distributing rights by such manufacturer. Should a licensee accept the delivery of such malt or brewed beverages in violation of this section, said licensee shall be subject to a suspension of his license for at least thirty days: Provided, That the importing distributor holding such distributing rights for such product shall not sell or deliver the same to another importing distributor without first having entered into a written agreement with the said secondary importing distributor setting forth the terms and conditions under which such products are to be resold within the territory granted to the primary importing distributor by the manufacturer.

When a Pennsylvania manufacturer of malt or brewed beverages licensed under this article names or constitutes a distributor or importing distributor as the primary or original supplier of his product, he shall also designate the specific geographical area for which the said distributor or importing distributor is given distributing rights, and such distributor or importing distributor shall not sell or deliver the products of such manufacturer to any person issued a license under the provisions of this act whose licensed premises are not located within the geographical area for which distributing rights have been given to the distributor and importing distributor by the said manufacturer: Provided, That the importing distributor holding such distributing rights for such product shall not sell or deliver the same to another importing distributor without first having entered into a written agreement with the said secondary importing distributor setting forth the terms and conditions under which such products are to be resold within the territory
granted to the primary importing distributor by the manufacturer. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent any manufacturer from authorizing the importing distributor holding the distributing rights for a designated geographical area from selling the products of such manufacturer to another importing distributor also holding distributing rights from the same manufacturer for another geographical area, providing such authority be contained in writing and a copy thereof be given to each of the importing distributors so affected.
(g) (1) In addition to being able to sell in case quantities as provided under subsection (b), a distributor or importing distributor may break the bulk of a case and sell units of any case in quantities of not less than forty-two ounces, provided the distributor or importing distributor sells a package as prepared for sale by the manufacturer.
(2) Before a distributor or importing distributor breaks the bulk of a case for the purpose of selling units, the distributor or importing distributor shall inspect the case for damage and appropriate production date. When the distributor or importing distributor breaks the bulk of a case for the purpose of selling units of the case, the distributor or importing distributor bears the risk of loss and is responsible for the destruction of any malt and brewed beverages that violate the manufacturer's specifications relating to sales by a certain date or within a number of days of the production date.
(3) The term "unit" as used in this subsection means an undamaged bottle or can from a case.

Section 9. Section $441(\mathrm{a})$ and (b) of the act, amended June

18, 1998 (P.L.664, No.86) and December 9, 2002 (P.L.1653, No.212), are amended to read:

Section 441. Distributors' and Importing Distributors' Restrictions on Sales, Storage, Etc.--(a) No distributor or importing distributor shall purchase, receive or resell any malt or brewed beverages except:
(1) in the original containers as prepared for the market by the manufacturer at the place of manufacture;
(2) in the case of identical containers repackaged in the manner described by subsection (f); or
(3) as provided in section 431 (b) and (g).
(b) [No] Except as provided for in section 431 (g), no distributor or importing distributor shall sell any malt or brewed beverages in quantities of less than a case or original containers containing one hundred twenty-eight ounces or more which may be sold separately: Provided, That no malt or brewed beverages sold or delivered shall be consumed upon the premises of the distributor or importing distributor, or in any place provided for such purpose by such distributor or importing distributor. Notwithstanding any other provision of this section or act, malt or brewed beverages which are part of a tasting conducted pursuant to the board's regulations may be consumed on licensed premises.


Section 10. Section $442(\mathrm{a})(1)$ of the act, amended June 28, 2011 (P.L.55, No.11), is amended to read:

Section 442. Retail Dispensers' Restrictions on Purchases and Sales.--(a) (1) No retail dispenser shall purchase or receive any malt or brewed beverages except in original containers as prepared for the market by the manufacturer at the
place of manufacture. The retail dispenser may thereafter break the bulk upon the licensed premises and sell or dispense the same for consumption on or off the premises so licensed. No retail dispenser may sell malt or brewed beverages for consumption off the premises in quantities in excess of [one hundred ninety-two fluid ounces.] three hundred eighty-four ounces in not more than twenty-four original containers in a single sale to one person as provided in section 407, provided the licensee may not sell a package as prepared for sale or distribution by the manufacturer containing more than twelve containers. Sales may be made in open or closed containers, Provided, however, That a municipality may adopt an ordinance restricting open containers in public places. No club licensee may sell any malt or brewed beverages for consumption off the premises where sold or to persons not members of the club.

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Section 10.1. Section $470(\mathrm{a})$ of the act, amended December 22, 2011 (P.L.530, No.113), is amended to read:

Section 470. Renewal of Licenses; Temporary Provisions for Licensees in Armed Service.--(a) All applications for renewal or validation of licenses under the provisions of this article shall be filed with tax clearance from the Department of Revenue and the Department of Labor and Industry and requisite license and filing fees, including an application surcharge of seven hundred dollars $(\$ 700.00)$, at least sixty days before the expiration date of same: Provided, however, That the board, in its discretion, may accept nunc pro tunc a renewal application filed less than sixty days before the expiration date of the license with the required fees, upon reasonable cause shown and the payment of an additional filing fee of one hundred dollars

1 (\$100.00) for late filing: And provided further, That except where the failure to file a renewal application on or before the expiration date has created a license quota vacancy after said expiration date which has been filled by the issuance of a new license, after such expiration date, but before the board has received a renewal application nunc pro tunc within the time prescribed herein the board, in its discretion, may, after hearing, accept a renewal application filed within two years after the expiration date of the license with the required fees upon the payment of an additional filing fee of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) for late filing. Where any such renewal application is filed less than sixty days before the expiration date, or subsequent to the expiration date, no license shall issue upon the filing of the renewal application until the matter is finally determined by the board and if an appeal is taken from the board's action the courts shall not order the issuance of the renewal license until final determination of the matter by the courts. The board may enter into an agreement with the applicant concerning additional restrictions on the license in question. If the board and the applicant enter into such an agreement, such agreement shall be binding on the applicant. Failure by the applicant to adhere to the agreement will be sufficient cause to form the basis for a citation under section 471 and for the nonrenewal of the license under this section. A renewal application will not be considered filed unless accompanied by the requisite filing [and]\& license and administrative fees and any additional filing fee required by this section. Unless the board shall have given ten days' previous notice to the applicant of objections to the renewal of his license, based upon violation by the licensee or his
servants, agents or employes of any of the laws of the Commonwealth or regulations of the board relating to the manufacture, transportation, use, storage, importation, possession or sale of liquors, alcohol or malt or brewed beverages, or the conduct of a licensed establishment, or unless the applicant has by his own act become a person of ill repute, or unless the premises do not meet the requirements of this act or the regulations of the board, the license of a licensee shall be renewed. Notwithstanding any other provision of this act, a noise violation shall not be the sole basis for objection by the board to the renewal of a license unless the licensee has received six prior adjudicated noise citations within a twenty-four-month period.

Section 10.2. The act is amended by adding a section to read:

Section 470.3. License Auction.--(a) A restaurant liquor license or eating place retail dispenser license which is subject to the quota restrictions set forth in section $461(a)$ and which has not been renewed as required by section 470, has been revoked under section 471 or as required by section 474.1 , or which the board refused to renew under section 470, shall be offered for auction by the board. The auction shall occur in July of the calendar year after the license becomes available for auction, on a date to be determined by the board. For purposes of this section, a license becomes available for auction the day after the deadline has passed for appealing a decision revoking or nonrenewing the license or the day after the two-year window to file a renewal application nunc pro tunc set forth in section 470, has passed.
(b) By March 1 of each vear, the board shall post on its Internet website a listing of all the licenses that shall be available for auction in July of that year. The list shall also be available upon request.
(c) The board shall accept applications from persons interested in bidding at the auction beginning March 1. The application shall be in writing and shall contain such information as the board shall from time to time prescribe. The board shall accept applications until June 15 th and may, in its discretion, accept applications after that date.
(d) A person who would be precluded from acquiring a license by sections 411 or 443 , or who, in the board's opinion, is not of good repute may not apply for a license under this section.
(e) The auction shall be conducted in the manner set forth by the board, in July at the date and time appointed by the board. After the auction, the board shall provisionally award to the person making the highest bid for the license the right to file an application for the license. However, the board may not accept a bid lower than the following amounts: (1) In counties of the first through fourth class, one hundred thousand dollars $(\$ 100,000)$. (2) In counties of the fifth through eighth class, fifty thousand dollars ( $\$ 50,000$ ).
(f) The winning bidder shall pay to the board the bid amount within two weeks. Payment shall be by cashier's check, certified check or any other method acceptable to the board. If the winning bidder does not pay the bid amount within two weeks, the second highest bidder shall be awarded the right to file an application for the license, so long as the bid amount is in accordance with subsection (e).
(g) If there are no bids for a license or if there are no bids that meet the bid amounts set forth in subsection (f), the license shall be revoked and may not be reissued.
(h) Within six months of a bidder being informed that he is the winning bidder and that the winning bid has been processed, the winning bidder shall file an application to transfer the license to itself or to an assignee. The application shall be processed in the same manner as any other transfer application and shall be subject to the same restrictions as any other transfer application, including any conditional licensing agreements, but not including any unpaid fines or unserved suspensions accrued by the previous license holder. The application may be filed on a prior approval basis.

Section 10.3. Section $471(\mathrm{~b})$ of the act, amended July 6, 2005 (P.L.135, No.39), is amended to read:

Section 471. Revocation and Suspension of Licenses; Fines.-* * *
(b) Hearing on such citations shall be held in the same manner as provided herein for hearings on applications for license. Upon such hearing, if satisfied that any such violation has occurred or for other sufficient cause, the administrative law judge shall immediately suspend or revoke the license, or impose a fine of not less than [fifty dollars (\$50)] one hundred dollars (\$100) nor more than [one thousand dollars (\$1,000)] two thousand dollars $(\$ 2,000)$, or both, notifying the licensee by registered letter addressed to his licensed premises. If the licensee has been cited and found to have violated section 493(1) insofar as it relates to sales to minors or sales to a visibly intoxicated person, section $493(10)$ insofar as it relates to lewd, immoral or improper entertainment or section

1 493(14), (16) or (21), or has been found to be a public nuisance pursuant to section 611, or if the owner or operator of the licensed premises or any authorized agent of the owner or operator has been convicted of any violation of the act of April 14, 1972 (P.L.233, No.64), known as "The Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act," or of 18 Pa.C.S. § 5902 (relating to prostitution and related offenses) or 6301 (relating to corruption of minors), at or relating to the licensed premises, the administrative law judge shall immediately suspend or revoke the license, or impose a fine of not less than [one thousand dollars (\$1,000)] two thousand dollars ( $\$ 2,000)$ nor more than $[f i v e ~ t h o u s a n d ~ d o l l a r s ~(\$ 5,000)]$ ten thousand dollars $(\$ 10,000)$, or both. However, if a licensee has been cited and found to have violated section 493 (1) as it relates to sales to minors or sales to a visibly intoxicated person but at the time of the sale the licensee was in compliance with the requirements set forth in section 471.1 and the licensee had not sold to minors or visibly intoxicated persons in the previous four years, then the administrative law judge shall immediately suspend or revoke the license, or impose a fine of not less than [fifty dollars (\$50)] one hundred dollars ( $\$ 100$ ) nor more than $[$ one thousand dollars $(\$ 1,000)]$ two thousand dollars $(\$ 2,000)$, or both. The administrative law judge shall notify the licensee by registered mail, addressed to the licensed premises, of such suspension, revocation or fine. In the event the fine is not paid within twenty days of the adjudication, the administrative law judge shall suspend or revoke the license, notifying the licensee by registered mail addressed to the licensed premises. Suspensions and revocations shall not go into effect until thirty days have elapsed from the

1 date of the adjudication during which time the licensee may take 2 an appeal as provided for in this act, except that revocations 3 mandated in section $481(c)$ shall go into effect immediately. Any 4 licensee whose license is revoked shall be ineligible to have a 5 license under this act until the expiration of three years from 6 the date such license was revoked. In the event a license is 7 revoked, no license shall be granted for the premises or

8 transferred to the premises in which the said license was

1 minors or sales to a visibly intoxicated person, section 493(10) insofar as it relates to lewd, immoral or improper entertainment or section 493(14), (16) or (21), or has been found to be a public nuisance pursuant to section 611, or if the owner or operator of the licensed premises or any authorized agent of the owner or operator has been convicted of any violation of "The Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act," or of 18 Pa.C.S. § 5902 or 6301, at or relating to the licensed premises, or if the license has been revoked under section $481(c)$, its appeal shall not act as a supersedeas unless the reviewing authority determines otherwise upon sufficient cause shown. In any hearing on an application for a supersedeas under this section, the reviewing authority may consider, in addition to other relevant evidence, documentary evidence, including records of the bureau, showing the prior history of citations, fines, suspensions or revocations against the licensee; and the reviewing authority may also consider, in addition to other relevant evidence, evidence of any recurrence of the unlawful activity occurring between the date of the citation which is the subject of the appeal and the date of the hearing. If the reviewing authority is the board, no hearing shall be held on the application for a supersedeas; however, a decision shall be made based on the application, answer and documentary evidence under this subsection. If the application for a supersedeas is for a license that has been revoked under section 481(c), the reviewing authority shall grant the supersedeas only if it finds that the licensee will likely prevail on the merits. No penalty provided by this section shall be imposed for any violations provided for in this act unless the bureau notifies the licensee of its nature within thirty days of the completion of the
investigation.

Section 11. Section 488 of the act, added February 21, 2002 (P.L.103, No.10), is amended to read:

Section 488. Shipment of Wine [into Commonwealth.--(a) The shipment of wine from out-of-State to residents of this Commonwealth is prohibited, except as otherwise provided for in this section.] to Pennsylvania Liquor Stores.--
(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this act or law to the contrary, a person licensed by another state as a producer, supplier, importer, wholesaler, distributor or retailer of wine and who obtains a [direct wine shipper] direct-to-store wine shipper license as provided for in this section may ship up to nine liters per month of any wine [not included on the list provided for in subsection (c)] on the [Internet] order of any resident of this Commonwealth who is at least twenty-one (21) years of age for such resident's personal use and not for resale.
[(c) Each month, the board shall publish on the Internet a list of all classes, varieties and brands of wine available for sale in the Pennsylvania Liquor Stores. A person holding a direct shipper license may ship only those classes, varieties and brands of wine not included on the list at the time an Internet order is placed.]
(d) [An out-of-State] A direct-to-store wine shipper shall:
(1) Not ship more than nine liters per month on the Internet order of any person in this Commonwealth.
(2) Report to the board each year the total amount of wine shipped [into this Commonwealth] to Pennsylvania Liquor Stores in the preceding calendar year.
(3) Permit the board, the enforcement bureau or the Secretary of Revenue, or their designated representatives, to perform an audit of the [out-of-State] direct-to-store wine shipper's records upon request.
(4) Be deemed to have submitted to the jurisdiction of the board, any other state agency and the courts of this Commonwealth for purposes of enforcement of this section and any related laws, rules or regulations.
(e) A [direct] direct-to-store wine shipper may ship wine on the [Internet] order of a resident into this Commonwealth provided that the wine is shipped to a Pennsylvania Liquor Store selected by the resident. The wine will be subject to taxes in the same manner as wine sold directly by the board. The wine will not be released by the State store until all moneys due, including all taxes and fees, have been paid by the resident.
(f) A person shall sign an affidavit provided by the Pennsylvania Liquor Store where the wine was delivered to stating that the wine will only be used for the person's personal use. Any person who resells wine obtained under this section commits a misdemeanor of the second degree.
(g) The board may promulgate such rules and regulations as are necessary to implement and enforce the provisions of this section. The board may charge the resident a fee to cover the cost associated with processing the [Internet] order.
(h) The board shall submit [monthly] annual reports to the Appropriations Committee and the Law and Justice Committee of the Senate and to the Appropriations Committee and the Liquor Control Committee of the House of Representatives summarizing the number of [direct] direct-to-store wine shipper licenses issued by the board, the quantity of wine sold and shipped by
direct-to-store wine shipper licensees pursuant to this section and the total dollar value of sales under this section.
(i) The term "wine" as used in this section shall mean liquor which is fermented from [grapes and other fruits, having alcoholic content of twenty-four per centum or less. The term "wine" shall not include malt or brewed beverages nor shall wine include any products containing alcohol derived from malt, grain, cereal, molasses or cactus] an agricultural commodity as that term is defined in section 505.2 (c).

Section 12. The act is amended by adding a section to read:
Section 489. Direct Shipment of Wine.--(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a person licensed by the board or another state as a producer of wine, and who obtains a license as provided for in this section, may ship up to eighteen liters per month of any wine on the order of any resident of this Commonwealth who is at least twenty-one vears of age for such resident's personal use and not for resale.
(b) Prior to issuing such a license, the board shall require the person seeking the license to:
(1) File an application with the board.
(2) Pay a registration fee of one hundred dollars (\$100).
(3) Provide to the board a copy of the applicant's current alcoholic beverage license issued by the board or another state, if applicable.
(4) Provide documentation to the board which evidences that the applicant has obtained a sales tax license from the Department of Revenue.
(5) Obtain a tax bond, in the amount of one thousand dollars $(\$ 1,000)$, such that if the licensee does not pay the taxes imposed under this section when due, the surety of the bond
shall pay all taxes and any related penalties, and any interest that may be due or become due.
(6) Provide the board with any other information that the board deems necessary and appropriate.
(c) The licensee shall:
(1) Require proof of age of the recipient, in a manner or format approved by the board, before any wine is shipped to a resident of this Commonwealth.
(2) Ensure that all boxes or exterior containers of wine shipped directly to a resident of this Commonwealth are conspicuously labeled with the words "CONTAINS ALCOHOL: SIGNATURE OF PERSON 21 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER REQUIRED FOR DELIVERY."
(3) Ensure that shipments shall be delivered by an entity holding a valid transporter-for-hire license issued by the board and that such transporter-for-hire shall not deliver any wine unless it does all of the following:
(i) Obtains the signature of the recipient of the wine upon delivery.
(ii) Verifies by inspecting a valid form of photo identification, as provided for in section $495(\mathrm{a})$, that the recipient is at least twenty-one (21) years of age.
(iii) Determines that the recipient is not visibly intoxicated at the time of delivery.
(4) On a quarterly basis, remit to the Department of Revenue all taxes due on sales to residents of this Commonwealth.
(5) Permit the board, the enforcement bureau or the Secretary of Revenue, or their designated representatives, to perform an audit of the licensee's records upon request.
(6) Be deemed to have submitted to the jurisdiction of the
board, any other state agency and the courts of this
Commonwealth for purposes of enforcement of this section and any related laws, rules or regulations, including the collection and remission of taxes as required under this section.
(7) Annually renew its license by paying a renewal fee established by the board and report to the board, at the time of renewal, the total amount of wine shipped to residents of this Commonwealth in the preceding calendar year.
(d) Wine delivered under the authority of this section is subject to the sales and use tax imposed by section 202 of the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the "Tax Reform Code of 1971," the sales and use tax imposed by Article XXXI-B of the act of July 28, 1953 (P.L.723, No.230), known as the "Second Class County Code," the sales and use tax imposed by the act of February 12, 2004 (P.L.73, No.11), known as the "Intergovernmental Cooperation Authority Act for Cities of the Second Class," and the emergency State tax imposed on wines sold by the board under the act of June 9, 1936 (1st Sp. Sess., P.L.13, NO.4), entitled "An act imposing an emergency State tax on liquor, as herein defined, sold by the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board; providing for the collection and payment of such tax; and imposing duties upon the Department of Revenue and the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board."
(e) A transporter for hire shall:
(1) keep records as required under section 512 pertaining to the direct shipment of wine; and
(2) permit the board and the enforcement bureau, or their designated representatives, to inspect such records in accordance with section 513.
(f) Any person who resells wine obtained under this section
commits a misdemeanor of the second degree.
(g) Shipments of wine to persons in this Commonwealth from persons who do not possess a license from the board authorizing such shipments are prohibited. Any person who knowingly makes, participates in, transports, imports or receives such shipment commits a misdemeanor.
(h) The board shall submit annual reports to the

Appropriations Committee of the Senate and the Law and Justice Committee of the Senate and to the Appropriations Committee of the House of Representatives and the Liquor Control Committee of the House of Representatives summarizing the number of licenses issued by the board under this section, the quantity of wine sold and shipped by licensees pursuant to this section and the total dollar value of sales under this section.
(i) The board may promulgate such rules and regulations as are necessary to implement and enforce the provisions of this section.
(j) The term "wine" as used in this section shall mean liquor which is fermented from an agricultural commodity as that term is defined in section $505.2(\mathrm{c})$.

Section 13. Section $493(24)$ of the act, amended November 29, 2006 (P.L.1421, No.155), is amended and the section is amended by adding a paragraph to read:

Section 493. Unlawful Acts Relative to Liquor, Malt and Brewed Beverages and Licensees.--The term "licensee," when used in this section, shall mean those persons licensed under the provisions of Article IV, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.

It shall be unlawful--
(24) (i) Things of Value Offered as Inducement. Except as provided in subclause (ii), for any licensee under the provisions of this article, or the board or any manufacturer, or any employe or agent of a manufacturer, licensee or of the board, to offer to give anything of value or to solicit or receive anything of value as a premium for the return of caps, stoppers, corks, stamps or labels taken from any bottle, case, barrel or package containing liquor or malt or brewed beverage, or to offer or give or solicit or receive anything of value as a premium or present to induce directly the purchase of liquor or malt or brewed beverage, or for any licensee, manufacturer or other person to offer or give to trade or consumer buyers any prize, premium, gift or other inducement to purchase liquor or malt or brewed beverages, except advertising novelties of nominal value which the board shall define. This section shall not prevent any manufacturer or any agent of a manufacturer from offering and honoring coupons which offer monetary rebates on purchases of wines and spirits through State Liquor Stores or purchases of malt or brewed beverages through distributors and importing distributors in accordance with conditions or regulations established by the board. The board may redeem coupons offered by a manufacturer or an agent of a manufacturer at the time of purchase. Coupons offered by a manufacturer or an agent of a manufacturer shall not be redeemed without proof of purchase. This section shall not apply to the return of any monies specifically deposited for the return of the original container to the owners thereof.
(ii) Notwithstanding subclause (i) or any other provision of law, a holder of a restaurant license that is also approved to hold a slot machine license or a conditional slot machine
license under 4 Pa.C.S. Part II (relating to gaming) may give liquor and malt or brewed beverages free of charge to any person actively engaged in playing a slot machine.
(iii) Notwithstanding subclause (i) or any other provision of law, the board may establish and implement a customer relations management program for the purpose of offering incentives, such as coupons or discounts on certain products which may be conditioned upon the purchase of liquor, to unlicensed customers of the board.
(35) Sale of wine received by direct-to-store or direct shipment. For any licensee to sell or offer to sell any wine purchased or acquired, directly or indirectly, from a licensee pursuant to the authority of section 488, or from a licensee pursuant to the authority of section 489.

Section 14. Section $499(\mathrm{a} .1)$ of the act, amended October 5, 1994 (P.L.522, No.77), is amended to read:

Section 499. Premises to be Vacated by Patrons.--* * *
(a.1) Subsection (a) shall not apply to sales of malt and brewed beverages for consumption off the premises when the following conditions are met:
(1) no licensee may sell malt or brewed beverages in excess of [one hundred ninety-two fluid ounces] three hundred eightyfour ounces in not more than twenty-four original containers in a single sale to one person as provided in section 407, provided the licensee may not sell a package as prepared for sale or distribution by the manufacturer containing more than twelve containers, in any one sale for consumption off the premises;
(2) sales and service of malt and brewed beverages for consumption off the premises are made prior to the designated

1 time the licensee is required by this act to cease serving
2 liquor, malt or brewed beverages;
3 (3) persons who have purchased malt and brewed beverages for 4 consumption off the premises shall remove the malt and brewed

5 beverages from the premises by the designated time as contained
6 in this act that patrons are required to vacate the premises;
7 (4) no club licensee may sell any malt or brewed beverage
8 for consumption off the premises where sold or to any persons
9 who are not members of the club.
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Section 15. This act shall take effect in 60 days.

