

1 H.433

2 Introduced by Representatives Young of Greensboro, Dolan of Waitsfield,
3 Grad of Moretown, Rogers of Waterville, Scheu of Middlebury,
4 Scheuermann of Stowe, and Sheldon of Middlebury

5 Referred to Committee on

6 Date:

7 Subject: Alcoholic beverages; taxes; tax on spirits and fortified wines

8 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to amend the tax
9 brackets for the tax on gross revenue generated from the retail sale of spirits
10 and fortified wines.

11 An act relating to the tax on spirits and fortified wines

12 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

13 Sec. 1. 7 V.S.A. § 422 is amended to read:

14 § 422. TAX ON SPIRITS AND FORTIFIED WINES

15 (a) A tax is assessed on the gross revenue from the sale of spirits and
16 fortified wines in the State of Vermont by the Board of Liquor and Lottery or
17 the retail sale of spirits and fortified wines in Vermont by a manufacturer or
18 rectifier of spirits or fortified wines, in accordance with the provisions of this
19 title. The tax shall be at the following rates based on the gross revenue of the
20 retail sales by the seller in the current year:

1 (1) if the gross revenue of the seller is ~~\$500,000.00~~ \$750,000.00 or
2 lower, the rate of tax is five percent;

3 (2) if the gross revenue of the seller is between ~~\$500,000.00~~
4 \$750,000.00 and ~~\$750,000.00~~ \$1,500,000.00, the rate of tax is ~~\$25,000.00~~
5 \$37,500.00 plus 10 percent of the gross revenues over ~~\$500,000.00~~
6 \$750,000.00;

7 (3) if the gross revenue of the seller is ~~\$750,000.00~~ \$1,500,000.00 or
8 more, the rate of tax is ~~\$112,500.00~~ plus 25 percent of the gross revenues over
9 \$1,500,000.00.

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11 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

12 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2019.