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### STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### **JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2016**

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### AN ACT

## RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES - MANUFACTURING AND WHOLESALE LICENSES

Introduced By: Representatives Morin, Casey, Barros, Tanzi, and Fogarty

Date Introduced: April 27, 2016

**Referred To:** House Corporations

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Sections 3-6-1 and 3-6-1.2 of the General Laws in Chapter 3-6 entitled

"Manufacturing and Wholesale Licenses" are hereby amended to read as follows:

<u>3-6-1. Manufacturer's license. --</u> (a) A manufacturer's license authorizes the holder to

establish and operate a brewery, distillery, or winery at the place described in the license for the

5 manufacture of beverages within this state. The license does not authorize more than one of the

activities of operator of a brewery or distillery or winery and a separate license shall be required

for each plant.

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8 (b) The license also authorizes the sale at wholesale at the licensed place by the

manufacturer of the product of the licensed plant to another license holder and the transportation

and delivery from the place of sale to a licensed place or to a common carrier for that delivery.

The license does not authorize the sale of beverages for consumption on premises where sold,

provided that the manufacturer does not sell an amount in excess of seventy-two ounces (72 oz)

per visitor per day for consumption on the premises. The license also authorizes the sale of

14 beverages produced on the premises in an amount not in excess of two hundred eighty-eight

ounces (288 oz), per visitor per day, to be sold in bottles that may hold no more than seventy-two

ounces (72 oz) each. These beverages may be sold to the consumers for off-premise consumption,

and shall be sold pursuant to the laws governing retail Class A establishments. The sale of

18 <u>beverages for off-premises consumption shall be sealed.</u> The license does not authorize the sale of

beverages in this state for delivery outside this state in violation of the law of the place of 2 delivery. The license holder may provide to visitors in conjunction with a tour and/or tasting, 3 samples, clearly marked as samples, not to exceed three hundred seventy-five milliliters (375 ml) 4 per visitor for distilled spirits and seventy-two ounces (72 oz) per visitor for malt beverages at the

licensed plant by the manufacturer of the product of the licensed plant to visitors for off-premise

consumption. The license does not authorize providing samples to a visitor of any alcoholic

beverages for off-premise consumption that are not manufactured at the licensed plant.

(c) The annual fee for the license is three thousand dollars (\$3,000) for a distillery, five hundred dollars (\$500) for a brewery, and one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500) for a winery producing more than fifty thousand (50,000) gallons per year and five hundred dollars (\$500) per year for a winery producing less than fifty thousand (50,000) gallons per year. All those fees are prorated to the year ending December 1 in every calendar year and shall be paid to the division of taxation and be turned over to the general treasurer for the use of the state.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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## EXPLANATION

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1	This act would permit holders of a manufacture's license to sell at retail alcoholic
2	beverages manufactured by them known for on-site and off-site consumption in an amount not in
3	excess of two hundred eighty-eight ounces (288 oz) per visitor per day, to be sold in bottles that
4	may hold no more than seventy-two ounces (72 oz) each.
5	This act would take effect upon passage.
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