

CRA summary of HB24-1373

Section 2 (Pages 3-4) - would eliminate any new and existing Liquor Licensed Drug Store licensees (LLDS; aka grocery stores that sell spirits) and provide for automatic conversion of existing licenses to either a Fermented Malt Beverage and Wine license (FMB; aka grocery stores that sell beer and wine) or a Retail Liquor Store license, depending on the circumstance.

Section 3 and 4 (Pages 4-5) - would limit where alcohol can be displayed on FMB licensed premises and prohibit them from selling any beverage with more than 14% alcohol by volume.

Section 5 and 6 (Pages 5-7) - would apply several anti-discrimination requirements on distributors with regard to allocations, prohibitions against offering more favorable product availability or pricing to certain license types, prohibition on aggregating the purchasing volume of more than one off premise license under common ownership for the purpose of deciding allocations (NOTE: CRA requested and received an amendment to an earlier version of the bill that this provision only apply to off premise locations to allow for on premise groups allocations to remain unchanged), prevents distributors from maintaining "private label" products available only to certain retailers.

These sections would also grant authority to the Liquor Enforcement Division (LED) to recover the cost of enforcing this sub section.

Sections 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, and 17 (Pages 8-24) — would allow all on-premise type liquor licenses (Beer and Wine, Hotel and Restaurant, Tavern, Retail Gaming Tavern, Brew Pub, Club, Arts, Racetrack, Vintner's Restaurant, Distillery Pub, and Lodging and Entertainment) to purchase alcohol from Retail Liquor Stores with no annual limit or record keeping requirement. It would maintain the current \$2,000 annual purchase limit and record keeping requirements for purchases from FMB and LLDS licensed stores until January 2025 and then eliminate the LLDS license type and maintain the current \$2,000 limit for FMB.

Section 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 25, 26, 27, 28, and 29 (Pages 24-34) – would make technical conforming amendments to various sections of statutes related to elimination of the LLDS license type.

Section 24 (Pages 28-29) – would allow retail liquor stores to sell and deliver alcohol to other liquor stores.

Section 30 (Pages 34-35) – is the petition clause regarding enactment of the bill.