

1 TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

2 The Committee on General, Housing and Military Affairs to which was
3 referred House Bill No. entitled “An act relating to modernizing and
4 reorganizing Title 7” respectfully reports that it has considered the same and
5 recommends that the bill be amended in Sec. 13, chapter 5, Department of
6 Liquor Control, by striking out 7 V.S.A. § 111, vinous beverages manufactured
7 in Vermont and inserting in lieu thereof a new 7 V.S.A. § 111 to read as
8 follows:

9 § 111. ~~VINOUS BEVERAGES MANUFACTURED IN VERMONT~~
10 TRANSFER OF LOCAL AGENCY STORE IN CONJUNCTION
11 WITH SALE OF REAL PROPERTY

12 ~~Vinous beverages manufactured in Vermont and bearing the Vermont seal~~
13 ~~of quality:~~

14 ~~(1) shall be sold in State operated stores;~~

15 ~~(2) may be sold in contract agency stores and may be displayed with the spirits~~
16 ~~and fortified wines or with the vinous beverages, or both.~~

17 (a) If a proposed sale of real estate or a business in which a local agency
18 store is located is contingent on the transfer of the agency store’s contract with
19 the Board to the buyer, the seller and buyer may, prior to completing the sale,
20 submit to the Department a request to approve the transfer of the agency

1 store's contract to the buyer. The request shall be accompanied by any
2 information required by the Department.

3 (b) The Department shall review the request and evaluate the buyer based
4 on the standards for evaluating an applicant for a new agency store contract.

5 (c) Within 30 days after receiving the request and all necessary
6 information, the Department shall complete the evaluation of the proposed
7 transfer and notify the parties of whether the agency store's contract may be
8 transferred to the buyer.

9 (d)(1) If the transfer is approved, the contract shall transfer to the buyer
10 upon completion of the sale.

11 (2) If the transfer is denied, the seller may continue to operate the
12 agency store pursuant to the existing contract with the Department.

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15 (Committee vote: _____)

Representative _____

FOR THE COMMITTEE