

1 H.688

2 Introduced by Representative Birong of Vergennes

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Date:

5 Subject: Alcoholic beverages; licensing; retail licenses and permits; first-class  
6 licenses

7 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to allow holders  
8 of a manufacturer's or rectifier's license to acquire a first-class license to sell  
9 their products at a tasting room that is not located on property contiguous with  
10 the manufacturing location.

11 An act relating to authorizing satellite tasting rooms for alcoholic beverage  
12 manufacturers

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

14 Sec. 1. 7 V.S.A. § 221 is amended to read:

15 § 221. FIRST-CLASS LICENSES

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17 (i) With the approval of the Board of Liquor and Lottery, the control  
18 commissioners may grant a first-class license to the holder of a manufacturer's  
19 or rectifier's license for the purpose of operating a satellite location where the

1 manufacturer or rectifier sells alcoholic beverages manufactured by the  
2 licensee for on-premises consumption.

3 Sec. 2. 7 V.S.A. § 223 is amended to read:

4 § 223. THIRD-CLASS LICENSES

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6 (f) With the approval of the Board of Liquor and Lottery, the control  
7 commissioners may grant a third-class license to the holder of a manufacturer's  
8 or rectifier's license for the purpose of operating a satellite location where the  
9 manufacturer or rectifier sells alcoholic beverages manufactured by the  
10 licensee for on-premises consumption.

11 Sec. 3. 7 V.S.A. § 224 is amended to read:

12 § 224. FOURTH-CLASS LICENSES

13 (a) The Board of Liquor and Lottery may grant up to a combined total of  
14 ~~ten~~ 20 fourth-class licenses to a manufacturer or rectifier that submits an  
15 application and the fee provided in section 204 of this title, provided that not  
16 more than 10 of the fourth-class licenses granted to the manufacturer or  
17 rectifier may be for locations other than farmers' market locations.

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19 (c)(1) At only ~~one~~ two fourth-class license ~~location~~ locations, a licensed  
20 manufacturer or rectifier may sell by the unopened container or distribute by  
21 the glass, with or without charge, alcoholic beverages produced by ~~no~~ not more

1 than five additional manufacturers or rectifiers, provided these beverages are  
2 purchased on invoice from the manufacturer or rectifier.

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4 Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE

5 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2022.