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Act No. 156 (H.867). An act relating to miscellaneous amendments to the laws governing alcoholic beverages and the Board of Liquor and Lottery

Subjects: Alcoholic beverages; miscellaneous amendments; lottery

This act makes various amendments to Vermont's alcoholic beverage laws to:

- permit all retail establishments to obtain a special venue serving permit during the period from July 1, 2024, through July 1, 2026;
- permit sampling event permit holders to purchase beverages from licensed wholesale dealers:
- increase from 10 to 20 the number of special events permits that a licensed manufacturer or rectifier may obtain during a calendar year;
- change the date for submission of the Department of Liquor and Lottery's annual lottery report from January 10 to March 10;
- delay the requirement for establishments that are licensed to serve alcohol for on-premises consumption to obtain liability insurance from July 1, 2024, to July 1, 2026;
- require the Department of Liquor and Lottery to report on or before December 15, 2024 on the creation of a license to allow a parent company of two or more licensed manufacturers or retailers to provide unified payroll and administrative services for the licensees, including an appropriate fee for the license; and
- require the Department of Liquor and Lottery to report on or before January 15, 2025, regarding the placement of beverage alcohol products in licensed retail establishments.

Multiple effective dates, beginning on June 4, 2024