

1 H.272

2 Introduced by Representative Birong of Vergennes

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Date:

5 Subject: Alcoholic beverages; licenses; malt beverage consumer shipping  
6 license; reciprocity requirement

7 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to limit the  
8 issuance of out-of-state malt beverage consumer shipping licenses to breweries  
9 that are located in states that allow Vermont brewers to acquire consumer  
10 shipping licenses.

11 An act relating to a reciprocity requirement for out-of-state consumer  
12 shipping licenses

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

14 Sec. 1. 7 V.S.A. § 277 is amended to read:

15 § 277. MALT, VINOUS, AND READY-TO-DRINK SPIRITS BEVERAGE  
16 CONSUMER SHIPPING LICENSE

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18 (b)(1) A manufacturer or rectifier of malt beverages, vinous beverages, or  
19 ready-to-drink spirits beverages licensed in another state that operates a  
20 brewery, winery, or distillery in the United States and holds valid state and

1 federal permits and licenses may be granted an out-of-state consumer shipping  
2 license by filing with the Division of Liquor Control an application in a form  
3 required by the Commissioner accompanied by copies of the applicant's  
4 current out-of-state manufacturer's license and the fee provided in section 204  
5 of this title.

6 (2) A manufacturer or rectifier of malt beverages may be granted an out-  
7 of-state consumer shipping license only if the manufacturer or rectifier holds a  
8 license and operates a brewery in a state that allows Vermont manufacturers or  
9 rectifiers to ship malt beverages to consumers in that state.

10 (3) An out-of-state consumer shipping license may be renewed annually  
11 by submitting to the Division the fee provided in section 204 of this title  
12 accompanied by the licensee's current out-of-state manufacturer's license.

13 ~~(3)~~(4) As used in this section, "out-of-state" means any state other than  
14 Vermont, any territory or possession of the United States, and does not include  
15 a foreign country.

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17 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

18 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2023.