

1 H.832

2 Introduced by Representative Boyden of Cambridge

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Date:

5 Subject: Alcoholic beverages, cannabis, and tobacco; licensing; retail licenses
6 and permits; tasting and event permits

7 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to authorize
8 licensed alcoholic beverage manufacturers, at not more than 10 fourth-class
9 license locations, to sell alcoholic beverages produced by other manufacturers.
10 This bill also proposes to amend the application requirements for retail
11 alcoholic beverage tasting permits to allow a licensee to submit the application
12 and fee at least one day before the proposed date of the tasting event.

13 An act relating to fourth-class licenses and retail alcoholic beverage tasting
14 permits

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

16 Sec. 1. 7 V.S.A. § 224 is amended to read:

17 § 224. FOURTH-CLASS LICENSES

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19 (c)(1) At ~~only one~~ not more than 10 fourth-class license ~~location~~ locations,
20 a licensed manufacturer or rectifier may sell by the unopened container or

1 distribute by the glass, with or without charge, alcoholic beverages produced
2 by ~~no~~ not more than five additional manufacturers or rectifiers, provided these
3 beverages are purchased on invoice from the manufacturer or rectifier.

4 (2) A manufacturer or rectifier may sell its product to ~~no more than five~~
5 ~~additional~~ any Vermont manufacturers or rectifiers.

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7 Sec. 2. 7 V.S.A. § 255 is amended to read:

8 § 255. RETAIL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE TASTING PERMITS

9 (a) The Division of Liquor Control may grant a licensee a permit to
10 conduct an alcoholic beverage tasting event as provided in subsection (b) of
11 this section if:

12 (1) the licensee has submitted a written application in a form required by
13 the Commissioner and paid the fee provided in section 204 of this title at least
14 ~~five days~~ one day prior to the date of the alcoholic beverage tasting event; and

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16 Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE

17 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2026.