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AN ACT

Amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), entitled, as reenacted and amended, "An act relating to alcoholic liquors, alcohol and malt and brewed beverages; amending, revising, 3 consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto; regulating and restricting the manufacture, purchase, sale, 4 5 possession, consumption, importation, transportation, 6 furnishing, holding in bond, holding in storage, traffic in 7 8 and use of alcoholic liquors, alcohol and malt and brewed beverages and the persons engaged or employed therein; 9 defining the powers and duties of the Pennsylvania Liquor 10 Control Board; providing for the establishment and operation 11 of State liquor stores, for the payment of certain license 12 fees to the respective municipalities and townships, for the 13 14 abatement of certain nuisances and, in certain cases, for search and seizure without warrant; prescribing penalties and forfeitures; providing for local option, and repealing 15 16 existing laws," further providing for general powers of 17 board, for specific subjects on which board may adopt 18 regulations, for selection of personnel, for when sales may 19 be made at Pennsylvania Liquor Stores, for sales by 20 Pennsylvania Liquor Stores, for authority to issue liquor licenses to hotels, restaurants and clubs, for sale of malt or brewed beverages by liquor licensees, for malt and brewed 21 22 23 beverages manufacturers', distributors' and importing 24 25 distributors' licenses, for shipment of wine and for unlawful 26 acts relative to liquor, malt and brewed beverages and 27 licensees.

- 28 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 29 hereby enacts as follows:

- 1 Section 1. Section 207(b), (f) and (h) of the act of April
- 2 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, reenacted
- 3 and amended June 29, 1987 (P.L.32, No.14), are amended and the
- 4 section is amended by adding a subsection to read:
- 5 Section 207. General Powers of Board.--Under this act, the
- 6 board shall have the power and its duty shall be:
- 7 * * *
- 8 (b) To control the manufacture, possession, sale,
- 9 consumption, importation, use, storage, transportation and
- 10 delivery of liquor, alcohol and malt or brewed beverages in
- 11 accordance with the provisions of this act, and to fix the
- 12 wholesale and retail prices at which liquors and alcohol shall
- 13 be sold at Pennsylvania Liquor Stores. Prices shall be
- 14 [proportional with prices paid by the board to its suppliers and
- 15 shall reflect any advantage obtained through volume purchases by
- 16 the board.] as set forth by the board so long as the price of a
- 17 particular item is uniform throughout this Commonwealth and that
- 18 the markup may not be less than twenty-five percent (25%) or
- 19 more than thirty-five percent (35%). Prices may not be changed
- 20 on any wine or spirit product more than once in any six-month
- 21 period. The board may establish a preferential price structure
- 22 for wines produced within this Commonwealth for the promotion of
- 23 such wines, as long as the price structure is uniform within
- 24 each class of wine purchased by the board. The board shall
- 25 require each Pennsylvania manufacturer and each nonresident
- 26 manufacturer of liquors, other than wine, selling such liquors
- 27 to the board, which are not manufactured in this Commonwealth,
- 28 to make application for and be granted a permit by the board
- 29 before such liquors not manufactured in this Commonwealth shall
- 30 be purchased from such manufacturer. Each such manufacturer

- 1 shall pay for such permit a fee which, in the case of a
- 2 manufacturer of this Commonwealth, shall be equal to that
- 3 required to be paid, if any, by a manufacturer or wholesaler of
- 4 the state, territory or country of origin of the liquors, for
- 5 selling liquors manufactured in Pennsylvania, and in the case of
- 6 a nonresident manufacturer, shall be equal to that required to
- 7 be paid, if any, in such state, territory or country by
- 8 Pennsylvania manufacturers doing business in such state,
- 9 territory or country. In the event that any such manufacturer
- 10 shall, in the opinion of the board, sell or attempt to sell
- 11 liquors to the board through another person for the purpose of
- 12 evading this provision relating to permits, the board shall
- 13 require such person, before purchasing liquors from him or it,
- 14 to take out a permit and pay the same fee as hereinbefore
- 15 required to be paid by such manufacturer. All permit fees so
- 16 collected shall be paid into the State Stores Fund. The board
- 17 shall not purchase any alcohol or liquor fermented, distilled,
- 18 rectified, compounded or bottled in any state, territory or
- 19 country, the laws of which result in prohibiting the importation
- 20 therein of alcohol or liquor, fermented, distilled, rectified,
- 21 compounded or bottled in Pennsylvania.
- 22 * * *
- 23 (f) To appoint, fix the compensation and define the powers
- 24 and duties of such managers, officers, inspectors, examiners,
- 25 clerks and other employes as shall be required for the operation
- 26 of this act, subject to the provisions of The Administrative
- 27 Code of 1929 and the Civil Service Act. However, the board may
- 28 <u>hire a limited number of retail wine specialists on an at-will</u>
- 29 basis to be employed at up to twenty-five percent (25%) of the
- 30 total number of Pennsylvania Liquor Stores. Notwithstanding any

- 1 other provision of law to the contrary, a retail wine specialist
- 2 <u>shall not be considered a member of the classified service, as</u>
- 3 that term is defined in the act of August 5, 1941 (P.L.752,
- 4 No.286), known as the "Civil Service Act," except as set forth
- 5 in this act. A retail wine specialist shall be considered a
- 6 State employe for purposes of 71 Pa.C.S. Pt. XXV (relating to
- 7 <u>retirement for State employees and officers). The board shall</u>
- 8 <u>establish a system of classification and compensation of its</u>
- 9 retail wine specialists and they shall not be subject to the
- 10 provisions of the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known
- 11 <u>as "The Administrative Code of 1929," as to classification and</u>
- 12 <u>compensation for its employes</u>, and shall conduct its activities
- 13 consistent with the practices and procedures of Commonwealth
- 14 agencies. The board shall adhere to the provisions of 51 Pa.C.S.
- 15 Ch. 71 (relating to veterans' preference), as they relate to
- 16 <u>noncivil service positions. This subsection may not be construed</u>
- 17 to alter, remove or bar current or new employees from a
- 18 collective bargaining agreement.
- 19 * * *
- 20 (h) Without in any way limiting or being limited by the
- 21 foregoing, to do all such things and perform all such acts as
- 22 are deemed necessary or advisable for the purpose of carrying
- 23 into effect the provisions of this act and the regulations made
- 24 thereunder. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the
- 25 contrary, the board is authorized to purchase all goods and
- 26 services in its sole discretion which are deemed necessary to
- 27 perform all such acts. The board is authorized to promulgate
- 28 regulations providing for the procurement of such goods and
- 29 services.
- 30 * * *

- 1 (1) To establish and implement a customer relations
- 2 marketing program for the purpose of offering incentives, such
- 3 as coupons or discounts on certain products, to customers of the
- 4 board.
- 5 Section 2. Sections 208(c) and 302 of the act are amended to
- 6 read:
- 7 Section 208. Specific Subjects on Which Board May Adopt
- 8 Regulations. -- Subject to the provisions of this act and without
- 9 limiting the general power conferred by the preceding section,
- 10 the board may make regulations regarding:
- 11 * * *
- 12 (c) The purchase, as provided in this act, of liquor and
- 13 alcohol, and its supply to Pennsylvania Liquor Stores and the
- 14 procurement of all other goods and services which are deemed
- 15 necessary by the board, in its sole discretion, to perform all
- 16 such acts.
- 17 * * *
- 18 Section 302. Selection of Personnel.--Officers and employes
- 19 of the board, except for retail wine specialists and as herein
- 20 otherwise provided, shall be appointed and employed subject to
- 21 the provisions of the Civil Service Act.
- Section 3. Section 304(b) of the act, amended December 8,
- 23 2004 (P.L.1810, No.239), is amended to read:
- 24 Section 304. When Sales May Be Made at Pennsylvania Liquor
- 25 Stores.--* * *
- 26 (b) Certain Pennsylvania Liquor Stores operated by the board
- 27 shall be open for Sunday retail sales between the hours of
- 28 [noon] <u>nine o'clock antemeridian</u> and [five] <u>nine</u> o'clock
- 29 postmeridian, except that no Sunday sales shall occur on Easter
- 30 Sunday or Christmas day. The board shall open [up to twenty-five

- 1 per centum of the total number of Pennsylvania Liquor Stores] at
- 2 its discretion as many Pennsylvania Liquor Stores as it deems
- 3 necessary for Sunday sales as provided for in this subsection.
- 4 The board shall submit yearly reports to the Appropriations and
- 5 the Law and Justice Committees of the Senate and the
- 6 Appropriations and the Liquor Control Committees of the House of
- 7 Representatives summarizing the total dollar value of sales
- 8 under this section.
- 9 Section 4. Section 305(a) and (b) of the act, amended May 8,
- 10 2003 (P.L.1, No.1) and July 6, 2005 (P.L.135, No.39), are
- 11 amended to read:
- 12 Section 305. Sales by Pennsylvania Liquor Stores. -- (a) The
- 13 board shall in its discretion determine where and what classes,
- 14 varieties and brands of liquor and alcohol it shall make
- 15 available to the public and where such liquor and alcohol will
- 16 be sold. Every Pennsylvania Liquor Store shall be authorized to
- 17 sell combination packages. If a person desires to purchase a
- 18 class, variety or brand of liquor or alcohol not currently
- 19 available from the board, he or she may place a special order
- 20 for such item so long as the order is for two or more bottles.
- 21 The board may require a reasonable deposit from the purchaser as
- 22 a condition for accepting the order. The customer shall be
- 23 notified immediately upon the arrival of the goods.
- 24 In computing the retail price of such special orders for
- 25 liquor or alcohol, the board shall not include the cost of
- 26 freight or shipping before applying [the] a mark-up calculated
- 27 <u>at fifty per centum of the markup under section 207(b)</u> and taxes
- 28 but shall add the freight or shipping charges to the price after
- 29 the mark-up and taxes have been applied.
- 30 Unless the customer pays for and accepts delivery of any such

- 1 special order within ten days after notice of arrival, the store
- 2 may place it in stock for general sale and the customer's
- 3 deposit shall be forfeited.
- 4 (b) Every Pennsylvania Liquor Store shall sell liquors at
- 5 wholesale to hotels, restaurants, clubs, and railroad, pullman
- 6 and steamship companies licensed under this act; and, under the
- 7 regulations of the board, to pharmacists duly licensed and
- 8 registered under the laws of the Commonwealth, and to
- 9 manufacturing pharmacists, and to reputable hospitals approved
- 10 by the board, or chemists. Sales to licensees shall be made at a
- 11 price that includes a discount of [ten] <u>sixteen</u> per centum from
- 12 the retail price. The board may sell to registered pharmacists
- 13 only such liquors as conform to the Pharmacopoeia of the United
- 14 States, the National Formulary, or the American Homeopathic
- 15 Pharmacopoeia. The board may sell at special prices under the
- 16 regulations of the board, to United States Armed Forces
- 17 facilities which are located on United States Armed Forces
- 18 installations and are conducted pursuant to the authority and
- 19 regulations of the United States Armed Forces. All other sales
- 20 by such stores shall be at retail. A person entitled to purchase
- 21 liquor at wholesale prices may purchase the liquor at any
- 22 Pennsylvania Liquor Store upon tendering cash, check or credit
- 23 card for the full amount of the purchase. For this purpose, the
- 24 board shall issue a discount card to each licensee identifying
- 25 such licensee as a person authorized to purchase liquor at
- 26 wholesale prices. Such discount card shall be retained by the
- 27 licensee. The board may contract through the Commonwealth
- 28 bidding process for delivery to wholesale licensees at the
- 29 expense of the licensee receiving the delivery.
- 30 * * *

- 1 Section 5. Section 401(a) of the act, amended December 22,
- 2 2011 (P.L.530, No.113), is amended to read:
- 3 Section 401. Authority to Issue Liquor Licenses to Hotels,
- 4 Restaurants and Clubs. -- (a) Subject to the provisions of this
- 5 act and regulations promulgated under this act, the board shall
- 6 have authority to issue a retail liquor license for any premises
- 7 kept or operated by a hotel, restaurant or club and specified in
- 8 the license entitling the hotel, restaurant or club to purchase
- 9 liquor from a Pennsylvania Liquor Store and to keep on the
- 10 premises such liquor and, subject to the provisions of this act
- 11 and the regulations made thereunder, to sell the same and also
- 12 malt or brewed beverages to guests, patrons or members for
- 13 consumption on the hotel, restaurant or club premises. Such
- 14 licensees with an interior connection, other than clubs, shall
- 15 be permitted to sell malt or brewed beverages for consumption
- 16 off the premises where sold in quantities of not more than one
- 17 hundred ninety-two fluid ounces in a single sale to one person
- 18 as provided for in section 407.
- 19 A licensee without an interior connection, other than clubs,
- 20 selling malt or brewed beverages for consumption off premises
- 21 may not sell more than three hundred eighty-four ounces in not
- 22 <u>more than twenty-four original containers in a single sale to</u>
- 23 one person as provided for in section 407, Provided, That the
- 24 licensee may not sell a package as prepared for sale or
- 25 <u>distribution</u> by the manufacturer containing more than twelve
- 26 containers. Such licenses shall be known as hotel liquor
- 27 licenses, restaurant liquor licenses and club liquor licenses,
- 28 respectively. No person who holds any public office that
- 29 involves the duty to enforce any of the penal laws of the United
- 30 States, this Commonwealth or of any political subdivision of

- 1 this Commonwealth may have any interest in a hotel or restaurant
- 2 liquor license. This prohibition applies to anyone with arrest
- 3 authority, including, but not limited to, United States
- 4 attorneys, State attorneys general, district attorneys, sheriffs
- 5 and police officers. This prohibition shall also apply to
- 6 magisterial district judges, judges or any other individuals who
- 7 can impose a criminal sentence. This prohibition does not apply
- 8 to members of the General Assembly, township supervisors, city
- 9 councilpersons, mayors without arrest authority and any other
- 10 public official who does not have the ability to arrest or the
- 11 ability to impose a criminal sentence. This section does not
- 12 apply if the proposed premises are located outside the
- 13 jurisdiction of the individual in question.
- 14 * * *
- Section 6. Section 407(a) of the act, amended June 28, 2011
- 16 (P.L.55, No.11), is amended to read:
- 17 Section 407. Sale of Malt or Brewed Beverages by Liquor
- 18 Licensees. -- (a) Every liquor license issued to a hotel,
- 19 restaurant, club, or a railroad, pullman or steamship company
- 20 under this subdivision (A) for the sale of liquor shall
- 21 authorize the licensee to sell malt or brewed beverages at the
- 22 same places but subject to the same restrictions and penalties
- 23 as apply to sales of liquor, except that licensees with an_
- 24 interior connection, other than clubs, may sell malt or brewed
- 25 beverages for consumption off the premises where sold in
- 26 quantities of not more than one hundred ninety-two fluid ounces
- 27 in a single sale to one person. A licensee without an interior
- 28 connection, other than clubs, selling malt or brewed beverages
- 29 for consumption off premises may not sell more than three
- 30 hundred eighty-four ounces in not more than twenty-four original

- 1 containers in a single sale to one person, Provided, That the
- 2 licensee may not sell a package as prepared for sale or
- 3 distribution by the manufacturer containing more than twelve
- 4 <u>containers.</u> The sales may be made in either open or closed
- 5 containers, Provided, however, That a municipality may adopt an
- 6 ordinance restricting open containers in public places. No
- 7 licensee under this subdivision (A) shall at the same time be
- 8 the holder of any other class of license, except a retail
- 9 dispenser's license authorizing the sale of malt or brewed
- 10 beverages only.
- 11 * * *
- 12 Section 7. Section 431(b) of the act, amended December 8,
- 13 2004 (P.L.1810, No.239), is amended and the section is amended
- 14 by adding a subsection to read:
- 15 Section 431. Malt and Brewed Beverages Manufacturers',
- 16 Distributors' and Importing Distributors' Licenses. --* * *
- 17 (b) The board shall issue to any reputable person who
- 18 applies therefor, and pays the license fee hereinafter
- 19 prescribed, a distributor's or importing distributor's license
- 20 for the place which such person desires to maintain for the sale
- 21 of malt or brewed beverages, not for consumption on the premises
- 22 where sold, and except as provided for under subsection (g), in
- 23 quantities of not less than a case or original containers
- 24 containing one hundred twenty-eight ounces or more which may be
- 25 sold separately as prepared for the market by the manufacturer
- 26 at the place of manufacture. The board shall have the discretion
- 27 to refuse a license to any person or to any corporation,
- 28 partnership or association if such person, or any officer or
- 29 director of such corporation, or any member or partner of such
- 30 partnership or association shall have been convicted or found

- 1 guilty of a felony within a period of five years immediately
- 2 preceding the date of application for the said license: And
- 3 provided further, That, in the case of any new license or the
- 4 transfer of any license to a new location, the board may, in its
- 5 discretion, grant or refuse such new license or transfer if such
- 6 place proposed to be licensed is within three hundred feet of
- 7 any church, hospital, charitable institution, school or public
- 8 playground, or if such new license or transfer is applied for a
- 9 place which is within two hundred feet of any other premises
- 10 which is licensed by the board: And provided further, That the
- 11 board shall refuse any application for a new license or the
- 12 transfer of any license to a new location if, in the board's
- 13 opinion, such new license or transfer would be detrimental to
- 14 the welfare, health, peace and morals of the inhabitants of the
- 15 neighborhood within a radius of five hundred feet of the place
- 16 proposed to be licensed. The board shall refuse any application
- 17 for a new license or the transfer of any license to a location
- 18 where the sale of liquid fuels or oil is conducted. The board
- 19 may enter into an agreement with the applicant concerning
- 20 additional restrictions on the license in question. If the board
- 21 and the applicant enter into such an agreement, such agreement
- 22 shall be binding on the applicant. Failure by the applicant to
- 23 adhere to the agreement will be sufficient cause to form the
- 24 basis for a citation under section 471 and for the nonrenewal of
- 25 the license under section 470. If the board enters into an
- 26 agreement with an applicant concerning additional restrictions,
- 27 those restrictions shall be binding on subsequent holders of the
- 28 license until the license is transferred to a new location or
- 29 until the board enters into a subsequent agreement removing
- 30 those restrictions. If the application in question involves a

- 1 location previously licensed by the board, then any restrictions
- 2 imposed by the board on the previous license at that location
- 3 shall be binding on the applicant unless the board enters into a
- 4 new agreement rescinding those restrictions. The board shall
- 5 require notice to be posted on the property or premises upon
- 6 which the licensee or proposed licensee will engage in sales of
- 7 malt or brewed beverages. This notice shall be similar to the
- 8 notice required of hotel, restaurant and club liquor licensees.
- 9 Except as hereinafter provided, such license shall authorize
- 10 the holder thereof to sell or deliver malt or brewed beverages
- 11 in quantities above specified anywhere within the Commonwealth
- 12 of Pennsylvania, which, in the case of distributors, have been
- 13 purchased only from persons licensed under this act as
- 14 manufacturers or importing distributors, and in the case of
- 15 importing distributors, have been purchased from manufacturers
- 16 or persons outside this Commonwealth engaged in the legal sale
- 17 of malt or brewed beverages or from manufacturers or importing
- 18 distributors licensed under this article. In the case of an
- 19 importing distributor, the holder of such a license shall be
- 20 authorized to store and repackage malt or brewed beverages owned
- 21 by a manufacturer at a segregated portion of a warehouse or
- 22 other storage facility authorized by section 441(d) and operated
- 23 by the importing distributor within its appointed territory and
- 24 deliver such beverages to another importing distributor who has
- 25 been granted distribution rights by the manufacturer as provided
- 26 herein. The importing distributor shall be permitted to receive
- 27 a fee from the manufacturer for any related storage, repackaging
- 28 or delivery services. In the case of a bailee for hire hired by
- 29 a manufacturer, the holder of such a permit shall be authorized:
- 30 to receive, store and repackage malt or brewed beverages

- 1 produced by that manufacturer for sale by that manufacturer to
- 2 importing distributors to whom that manufacturer has given
- 3 distribution rights pursuant to this subsection or to purchasers
- 4 outside this Commonwealth for delivery outside this
- 5 Commonwealth; or to ship to that manufacturer's storage
- 6 facilities outside this Commonwealth. The bailee for hire shall
- 7 be permitted to receive a fee from the manufacturer for any
- 8 related storage, repackaging or delivery services. The bailee
- 9 for hire shall, as required in Article V of this act, keep
- 10 complete and accurate records of all transactions, inventory,
- 11 receipts and shipments and make all records and the licensed
- 12 areas available for inspection by the board and for the
- 13 Pennsylvania State Police, Bureau of Liquor Control Enforcement,
- 14 during normal business hours.
- 15 Each out of State manufacturer of malt or brewed beverages
- 16 whose products are sold and delivered in this Commonwealth shall
- 17 give distributing rights for such products in designated
- 18 geographical areas to specific importing distributors, and such
- 19 importing distributor shall not sell or deliver malt or brewed
- 20 beverages manufactured by the out of State manufacturer to any
- 21 person issued a license under the provisions of this act whose
- 22 licensed premises are not located within the geographical area
- 23 for which he has been given distributing rights by such
- 24 manufacturer. Should a licensee accept the delivery of such malt
- 25 or brewed beverages in violation of this section, said licensee
- 26 shall be subject to a suspension of his license for at least
- 27 thirty days: Provided, That the importing distributor holding
- 28 such distributing rights for such product shall not sell or
- 29 deliver the same to another importing distributor without first
- 30 having entered into a written agreement with the said secondary

- 1 importing distributor setting forth the terms and conditions
- 2 under which such products are to be resold within the territory
- 3 granted to the primary importing distributor by the
- 4 manufacturer.
- 5 When a Pennsylvania manufacturer of malt or brewed beverages
- 6 licensed under this article names or constitutes a distributor
- 7 or importing distributor as the primary or original supplier of
- 8 his product, he shall also designate the specific geographical
- 9 area for which the said distributor or importing distributor is
- 10 given distributing rights, and such distributor or importing
- 11 distributor shall not sell or deliver the products of such
- 12 manufacturer to any person issued a license under the provisions
- 13 of this act whose licensed premises are not located within the
- 14 geographical area for which distributing rights have been given
- 15 to the distributor and importing distributor by the said
- 16 manufacturer: Provided, That the importing distributor holding
- 17 such distributing rights for such product shall not sell or
- 18 deliver the same to another importing distributor without first
- 19 having entered into a written agreement with the said secondary
- 20 importing distributor setting forth the terms and conditions
- 21 under which such products are to be resold within the territory
- 22 granted to the primary importing distributor by the
- 23 manufacturer. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to
- 24 prevent any manufacturer from authorizing the importing
- 25 distributor holding the distributing rights for a designated
- 26 geographical area from selling the products of such manufacturer
- 27 to another importing distributor also holding distributing
- 28 rights from the same manufacturer for another geographical area,
- 29 providing such authority be contained in writing and a copy
- 30 thereof be given to each of the importing distributors so

- 1 affected.
- 2 * * *
- 3 (g) (1) In addition to being able to sell a case as
- 4 provided for under subsection (b), a distributor or import
- 5 distributor may break the bulk of a case and sell units of the
- 6 case in quantities not less than forty-two ounces, provided the
- 7 <u>distributor or import distributor sells a package prepared for</u>
- 8 sale by the manufacturer of no more than twelve units.
- 9 (2) Before a distributor or import distributor breaks the
- 10 bulk of a case for the purpose of selling units, the distributor
- 11 or import distributor shall inspect the case for damage and
- 12 appropriate production date. When the distributor or import
- 13 distributor breaks the bulk of a case for the purpose of selling
- 14 units of the case, the distributor or import distributor bears
- 15 the risk of loss and is responsible for the destruction of any
- 16 malt and brewed beverages that violate the manufacturer's
- 17 specifications relating to sales by a certain date or within a
- 18 number of days of the production date.
- 19 (3) As used in this subsection the term "unit" means an
- 20 undamaged bottle or can from a case.
- 21 Section 8. Section 488 of the act, added February 21, 2002
- 22 (P.L.103, No.10), is amended to read:
- 23 Section 488. Shipment of Wine [into Commonwealth].--(a) The
- 24 shipment of wine [from out-of-State] to residents of this
- 25 Commonwealth [is prohibited, except as otherwise provided for
- 26 in] shall be governed by this section.
- 27 (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this act or law
- 28 to the contrary, a person licensed by the board or another state
- 29 as a producer[, supplier, importer, wholesaler, distributor or
- 30 retailer] of wine and who obtains a direct wine shipper license

- 1 as provided for in this section may ship up to [nine] eighteen
- 2 liters per month of any wine [not included on the list provided
- 3 for in subsection (c) on] upon the Internet, telephone or mail
- 4 order of any resident of this Commonwealth who is at least
- 5 twenty-one (21) years of age for such resident's personal use
- 6 and not for resale.
- 7 (c) Each month, the board shall publish on the Internet a
- 8 list of all classes, varieties and brands of wine available for
- 9 sale in the Pennsylvania Liquor Stores. [A person holding a
- 10 direct shipper license may ship only those classes, varieties
- 11 and brands of wine not included on the list at the time an
- 12 Internet order is placed.]
- 13 (c.1) Prior to issuing a direct wine shipper license, the
- 14 board shall require the person seeking the license to:
- 15 <u>(1) File an application with the board.</u>
- 16 (2) Pay a one hundred dollar (\$100) registration fee.
- 17 (3) Provide to the board a true copy of its current
- 18 alcoholic beverage license issued by the board or another state,
- 19 if applicable.
- 20 (4) Provide the board with any other information the board
- 21 deems necessary and appropriate.
- 22 (5) Provide documentation which evidences that it has
- 23 obtained a sales tax license from the Department of Revenue.
- 24 (d) [An out-of-State] A direct wine shipper shall:
- 25 (1) Not ship more than [nine] eighteen liters per month on
- 26 the Internet, telephone or mail order of any person in this
- 27 Commonwealth.
- 28 (2) Report to the board each year the total of wine shipped
- 29 [into] to residents of this Commonwealth in the preceding
- 30 calendar year.

- 1 (3) Permit the board or the Secretary of Revenue, or their
- 2 designated representatives, to perform an audit of the [out-of-
- 3 State] <u>direct</u> wine shipper's records upon request.
- 4 (4) Be deemed to have submitted to the jurisdiction of the
- 5 board, any other State agency and the courts of this
- 6 Commonwealth for purposes of enforcement of this section and any
- 7 related laws, rules or regulations.
- 8 (5) Require proof of age of the recipient in a manner or
- 9 format approved by the board before any wine is shipped to a
- 10 resident of this Commonwealth.
- 11 (6) Ensure that all boxes or exterior containers of wine
- 12 <u>shipped directly to a resident in this Commonwealth are</u>
- 13 conspicuously labeled with the words "CONTAINS ALCOHOL:
- 14 SIGNATURE OF PERSON 21 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER REQUIRED FOR
- 15 DELIVERY."
- 16 (7) Collect and remit to the Department of Revenue all taxes
- 17 <u>due on sales to residents of this Commonwealth. The amount of</u>
- 18 such taxes shall be calculated as if the sales were in this
- 19 Commonwealth at the locations where delivery is made.
- 20 (8) Annually renew its license by paying a renewal fee
- 21 established by the board.
- 22 (e) A direct shipper may ship wine on the Internet or mail
- 23 order of a resident into this Commonwealth provided that the
- 24 wine [is shipped to a Pennsylvania Liquor Store selected by the
- 25 resident. The wine will be subject to taxes in the same manner
- 26 as wine sold directly by the board. The wine will not be
- 27 released by the State store until all moneys due, including all
- 28 taxes and fees, have been paid by the resident.] will be subject
- 29 to all taxes due on sales to residents of this Commonwealth with
- 30 the amount of such taxes to be calculated as if the sale were in

- 1 this Commonwealth at the location where delivery is made.
- 2 (f) [A person shall sign an affidavit provided by the
- 3 Pennsylvania Liquor Store where the wine was delivered to
- 4 stating that the wine will only be used for the person's
- 5 personal use.] Any person who resells wine obtained under this
- 6 section commits a misdemeanor of the second degree.
- 7 (g) The board may promulgate such rules and regulations as
- 8 are necessary to implement and enforce the provisions of this
- 9 section. [The board may charge the resident a fee to cover the
- 10 cost associated with processing the Internet order.]
- 11 (h) The board shall submit [monthly] annual reports to the
- 12 Appropriations Committee and the Law and Justice Committee of
- 13 the Senate and to the Appropriations Committee and the Liquor
- 14 Control Committee of the House of Representatives summarizing
- 15 the number of direct shipper licenses issued by the board[,] and
- 16 the quantity of wine sold by direct wine shippers pursuant to
- 17 this section [and the total dollar value of sales under this
- 18 section].
- 19 (i) The term "wine" as used in this section shall mean
- 20 liquor which is fermented from grapes and other fruits, having
- 21 alcoholic content of twenty-four per centum or less. The term
- 22 "wine" shall not include malt or brewed beverages nor shall wine
- 23 include any products containing alcohol derived from malt,
- 24 grain, cereal, molasses or cactus.
- 25 (j) The term "direct wine shipper" as used in this section
- 26 shall mean a wine producer who holds a direct wine shipper
- 27 <u>license as provided in this section and includes a limited</u>
- 28 winery.
- 29 Section 9. Section 493(24) of the act, amended November 29,
- 30 2006 (P.L.1421, No.155), is amended to read:

- 1 Section 493. Unlawful Acts Relative to Liquor, Malt and
- 2 Brewed Beverages and Licensees. -- The term "licensee," when used
- 3 in this section, shall mean those persons licensed under the
- 4 provisions of Article IV, unless the context clearly indicates
- 5 otherwise.
- 6 It shall be unlawful--
- 7 * * *
- 8 (24) (i) Things of Value Offered as Inducement. Except as
- 9 provided in subclause (ii), for any licensee under the
- 10 provisions of this article, or the board or any manufacturer, or
- 11 any employe or agent of a manufacturer, licensee or of the
- 12 board, to offer to give anything of value or to solicit or
- 13 receive anything of value as a premium for the return of caps,
- 14 stoppers, corks, stamps or labels taken from any bottle, case,
- 15 barrel or package containing liquor or malt or brewed beverage,
- 16 or to offer or give or solicit or receive anything of value as a
- 17 premium or present to induce directly the purchase of liquor or
- 18 malt or brewed beverage, or for any licensee, manufacturer or
- 19 other person to offer or give to trade or consumer buyers any
- 20 prize, premium, gift or other inducement to purchase liquor or
- 21 malt or brewed beverages, except advertising novelties of
- 22 nominal value which the board shall define. This section shall
- 23 not prevent any manufacturer or any agent of a manufacturer from
- 24 offering and honoring coupons which offer monetary rebates on
- 25 purchases of wines and spirits through State Liquor Stores or
- 26 purchases of malt or brewed beverages through distributors and
- 27 importing distributors in accordance with conditions or
- 28 regulations established by the board. The board may redeem
- 29 coupons offered by a manufacturer or an agent of a manufacturer
- 30 at the time of purchase. Coupons offered by a manufacturer or an

- 1 agent of a manufacturer shall not be redeemed without proof of
- 2 purchase. This section shall not apply to the return of any
- 3 monies specifically deposited for the return of the original
- 4 container to the owners thereof.
- 5 (ii) Notwithstanding subclause (i) or any other provision of
- 6 law, a holder of a restaurant license that is also approved to
- 7 hold a slot machine license or a conditional slot machine
- 8 license under 4 Pa.C.S. Part II (relating to gaming) may give
- 9 liquor and malt or brewed beverages free of charge to any person
- 10 actively engaged in playing a slot machine.
- 11 (iii) Notwithstanding subclause (i) or any other provision
- 12 of law, the board may establish and implement a customer
- 13 relations marketing program for the purpose of offering
- 14 <u>incentives</u>, such as coupons or discounts on certain products
- 15 that may be conditioned upon the purchase of liquor, to
- 16 customers of the board.
- 17 * * *
- 18 Section 10. This act shall take effect in 60 days.