AN ACT

Providing for emergency prorate and reduction of liquor control fees.

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

Section 1. Short title.

This act shall be known and may be cited as the Emergency Liquor Control Fees Relief Act.

Section 2. Definitions.

The following words and phrases when used in this act shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

"Board." The Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board.

"COVID-19." The novel coronavirus identified in the proclamation of disaster emergency.

"Proclamation of disaster emergency." The proclamation of disaster emergency issued by the Governor on March 6, 2020, published at 50 Pa.B. 1644 (March 21, 2020), and any renewal of
the state of disaster emergency. The term includes any
proclamation of disaster emergency related to COVID-19.

Section 3. Emergency prorate and reduction of liquor control
fees.

(a) Assessment of fees.--Notwithstanding any other provision
of law, the board shall prorate and reduce the amount of fees
assessed under all of the following based on the duration of the
proclamation of disaster emergency:

(1) Section 614-A of the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177,
No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929.

(2) Sections 405, 409, 410, 435, 439, 469, 504, 508,
704, 707 and 723 of the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90,
No.21), known as the Liquor Code.

(b) Payments.--Notwithstanding any other provision of law,
the fees assessed under the provisions specified under
subsection (a) shall be due January 1, 2021.

Section 4. Temporary regulations.

(a) Temporary regulations.--In order to facilitate the
prompt implementation of this act, the board may promulgate
temporary regulations within 30 days of the effective date of
this section. The temporary regulations shall expire no later
than 30 days after the publication of the temporary regulations.
The temporary regulations shall not be subject to any of the
following:

(1) Section 612 of the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177,
No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929.

(2) Sections 201, 202, 203, 204 and 205 of the act of
July 31, 1968 (P.L.769, No.240), referred to as the
Commonwealth Documents Law.

(3) Sections 204(b) and 301(10) of the act of October
2020 HB2649PN4064


Section 5. Notice of prorated and reduced liquor control fees. No later than 30 days from the effective date of this act, the board shall provide notice of the prorated and reduced fees under section 3 on the board's publicly accessible Internet website.

Section 6. Effective date. This act shall take effect immediately.