THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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Session of 2011

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AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON LIQUOR CONTROL, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, APRIL 13, 2011

AN ACT

Amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), entitled, as reenacted, "An act relating to alcoholic liquors, alcohol and 3 malt and brewed beverages; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto; regulating and restricting the manufacture, purchase, sale, possession, 5 consumption, importation, transportation, furnishing, holding 7 in bond, holding in storage, traffic in and use of alcoholic 8 liquors, alcohol and malt and brewed beverages and the persons engaged or employed therein; defining the powers and 9 duties of the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board; providing 10 for the establishment and operation of State liquor stores, 11 for the payment of certain license fees to the respective 12 municipalities and townships, for the abatement of certain 13 nuisances and, in certain cases, for search and seizure 14 without warrant; prescribing penalties and forfeitures; 15 providing for local option, and repealing existing laws," 16 17 further providing for distilleries.

- 18 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 19 hereby enacts as follows:
- 20 Section 1. Section 505.4 of the act of April 12, 1951
- 21 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, reenacted and amended
- 22 June 29, 1987 (P.L.32, No.14) and added December 8, 2004
- 23 (P.L.1810, No.239), is amended to read:
- 24 Section 505.4. Distilleries. --(a) The board may issue a

- 1 distillery of historical significance license to any distillery
- 2 which was established prior to January 1, 1875. The holder of
- 3 the license may manufacture and sell liquor produced on the
- 4 licensed premises to the board, to entities licensed by the
- 5 board and to the public under such conditions and regulations as
- 6 the board may enforce. Production at the distillery of
- 7 historical significance shall be limited to an amount not to
- 8 exceed twenty thousand (20,000) gallons per year. The distillery
- 9 does not need to establish continuous operation since January 1,
- 10 1875, in order to qualify for a license under this section.
- 11 (b) (1) The board may issue a limited distillery license
- 12 that will allow the holder thereof to operate a distillery that
- 13 shall not exceed production of forty thousand (40,000) gallons
- 14 of distilled liquor per year. The holder of the license may
- 15 manufacture and sell bottled liquors produced on the licensed
- 16 premises to the board, to entities licensed by the board and to
- 17 the public between the hours of nine o'clock antemeridian and
- 18 nine o'clock postmeridian SO LONG AS A SPECIFIC CODE OF
- 19 DISTILLED LIQUOR WHICH IS LISTED FOR SALE AS A STOCK ITEM BY THE
- 20 BOARD IN STATE LIQUOR STORES MAY NOT BE OFFERED FOR SALE AT A
- 21 LICENSED LIMITED DISTILLERY LOCATION AT A PRICE WHICH IS LOWER
- 22 THAN THAT CHARGED BY THE BOARD and under such conditions and
- 23 regulations as the board may enforce.
- 24 (2) The holder of a limited distillery license may,
- 25 separately or in conjunction with other limited distillery
- 26 licensees, sell bottled liquors produced by the distillery at no
- 27 more than two (2) board-approved locations other than the
- 28 licensed premises, with no bottling or production requirement at
- 29 those additional board-approved locations and under such
- 30 conditions and regulations as the board may enforce to the

- 1 board, to individuals and to entities licensed by the board.
- 2 (3) The holder of a limited distillery license may apply for
- 3 and hold a hotel liquor license, a restaurant liquor license or
- 4 <u>a malt and brewed beverages retail license to sell for</u>
- 5 consumption at the restaurant or limited distillery on the
- 6 <u>licensed distillery premises liquor, wine and malt or brewed</u>
- 7 beverages regardless of the place of manufacture under the same
- 8 conditions and regulations as any other hotel liquor license,
- 9 restaurant liquor license or malt and brewed beverages retail
- 10 license.
- 11 (4) The holder of a limited distillery license may sell food
- 12 for consumption on or off the licensed premises and sell by the
- 13 glass only liquor that may otherwise be sold by the bottle.
- 14 (5) The holder of a limited distillery license may provide
- 15 tasting samples of liquor in individual portions not to exceed
- 16 one (1) fluid ounce on the licensed premises and at the two (2)
- 17 board-approved locations. Samples may be sold or provided free
- 18 of charge and may only be provided between the hours of nine
- 19 o'clock antemeridian and nine o'clock postmeridian.
- 20 (6) The fee for the limited distillery license shall be in
- 21 an amount to be determined by the board but shall not exceed one
- 22 thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500).
- 23 (7) THE BOARD MAY ISSUE TO THE HOLDER OF A DISTILLERY
- 24 LICENSE A LIMITED DISTILLERY LICENSE IN EXCHANGE FOR THE
- 25 DISTILLERY LICENSE PROVIDED THAT THE APPLICANT HAS NOT
- 26 MANUFACTURED MORE THAN FORTY THOUSAND (40,000) GALLONS OF
- 27 <u>DISTILLED LIQUOR IN THE PRIOR CALENDAR YEAR. AN APPLICANT UNDER</u>
- 28 THIS SUBSECTION SHALL SURRENDER HIS DISTILLERY LICENSE FOR
- 29 <u>CANCELLATION PRIOR TO THE ISSUANCE OF THE NEW LIMITED DISTILLERY</u>
- 30 LICENSE. THE AUTHORITY OF THE BOARD TO EXCHANGE A DISTILLERY

- 1 LICENSE FOR A LIMITED DISTILLERY LICENSE UNDER THIS SUBSECTION
- 2 AND THIS SUBSECTION SHALL EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2012.
- 3 (c) (1) The holder of a distillery license as issued under
- 4 <u>section 505 may sell bottled liquors produced on the licensed</u>
- 5 premises to the board, to entities licensed by the board and to
- 6 the public between the hours of nine o'clock antemeridian and
- 7 <u>nine o'clock postmeridian SO LONG AS A SPECIFIC CODE OF</u>
- 8 <u>DISTILLED LIQUOR WHICH IS LISTED FOR SALE AS A STOCK ITEM BY THE</u>
- 9 BOARD IN STATE LIQUOR STORES MAY NOT BE OFFERED FOR SALE AT A
- 10 LICENSED DISTILLERY LOCATION AT A PRICE WHICH IS LOWER THAN THAT
- 11 CHARGED BY THE BOARD and under such conditions and regulations
- 12 <u>as the board may enforce.</u>
- 13 (2) The holder of a distillery license as issued under
- 14 section 505 may provide tasting samples of liquor in individual
- 15 portions not to exceed one (1) fluid ounce. Samples may be sold
- 16 or provided free of charge between the hours of nine o'clock
- 17 antemeridian and nine o'clock postmeridian.
- 18 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.