## AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1547

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- Amend Bill, page 1, lines 16 through 28, by striking out "in" 1 2 in line 16 and all of lines 17 through 28 and inserting 3 in licenses and regulations and liquor, alcohol and malt and 4 brewed beverages, providing for suspension for inspection 5 deficiencies. 6 Amend Bill, pages 2 through 17, lines 1 through 30; page 18, 7 lines 1 through 29; by striking out all of said lines on said 8 pages and inserting 9 Section 1. The act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known 10 as the Liquor Code, is amended by adding a section to read: Section 470.4. Suspension for Inspection Deficiencies. -- (a) 11 If the board finds, through an inspection by one of the board's 12 13 employes, that a licensee does not meet a requirement under the act or the board's regulations that renders the licensee 14 ineligible for the license, including instances when the 15 16 licensee no longer meets the seating, square footage, food, health license or room requirements for the license, the board 17 may immediately impose an administrative suspension of the 18 operating privileges of the licensee and shall give written 19 notice to the licensee as to the exact deficiency observed. The 20 operating privileges shall remain suspended until the licensee 21 can establish to the board's satisfaction that the licensee is 22 23 again eligible for the license. If an employe of the Pennsylvania State Police, Bureau of Liquor Control Enforcement, 24 Philadelphia County Department of Public Health, City of 25 26 Philadelphia Department of Licenses and Inspections or other 27 similar government employe finds that a licensee does not meet the requirements of either the Liquor Code or the board's 28 29 regulations, as provided under this section, the employe may inform the board of the deficiency so that the board may proceed 30 31 in accordance with this section.
- (b) Section 464 and 42 Pa.C.S. § 933(a)(1)(v) (relating to 32 appeals from government agencies) shall not apply to suspensions 33
- 34 imposed under this section. If the board refuses to reinstate a
- suspended licensee's operating privileges, the suspended 35

- licensee may request a hearing before the Commonwealth Court
- under 42 Pa.C.S. § 761(a)(4) (relating to original jurisdiction)
- 3 solely on the issue of whether the suspended licensee is
- eligible for reinstatement of operating privileges. The
- Commonwealth Court shall hold a hearing within ten days of the
- filing of the request for a hearing under this subsection and
- may not lift a suspension imposed by the board until after the 7 hearing.
- 9 (c) An administrative suspension under this section shall be in addition to any other penalties provided by law. 10
- (d) Other violations of the law or questions as to the 11
- 12 continued fitness of a licensee that are currently addressed
- through the citation process under section 471 or the board's 13
- nonrenewal process under section 470(a.1) shall continue to be 14
- 15 addressed in that manner and not through the administrative
- suspension process under this section. 16
- Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days. 17