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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 2 3 malt and brewed beverages; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto; regulating and 4 restricting the manufacture, purchase, sale, possession, 5 consumption, importation, transportation, furnishing, holding in bond, holding in storage, traffic in and use of alcoholic 7 liquors, alcohol and malt and brewed beverages and the 8 9 persons engaged or employed therein; defining the powers and 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 16 providing for local option, and repealing existing laws," further providing for definitions, for authority to issue 17 liquor licenses to hotels, restaurants and clubs, for 18 19 issuance, transfer or extension of hotel, restaurant and club liquor licenses and for sale of malt or brewed beverages by 20 liquor licensee; providing for food store licenses; further 21 providing for malt and brewed beverages manufacturers', 22 distributors' and importing distributors' licenses, for malt 23 and brewed beverages retail licenses, for prohibitions 24 against the grant of licenses, for retail dispensers' 25 restrictions on purchases and sales, for limiting number of 26 retail licenses to be issued in each county, for licenses not 27 assignable and transfers, for unlawful acts relative to 28 29 liquor, malt and brewed beverages and licensees and for 30 premises to be vacated by patrons.

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

- 1 Section 1. The definitions of "case" and "retail dispenser"
- 2 in section 102 of the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21),
- 3 known as the Liquor Code, reenacted and amended June 29, 1987
- 4 (P.L.32, No.14) and amended July 7, 2006 (P.L.584, No.84), are
- 5 amended and the section is amended by adding definitions to
- 6 read:
- 7 Section 102. Definitions. -- The following words or phrases,
- 8 unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, shall have the
- 9 meanings ascribed to them in this section:
- 10 * * *
- "Case" shall mean a package prepared by the manufacturer for
- 12 sale or distribution [of twelve or more original containers
- 13 totaling two hundred sixty-four or more fluid ounces of malt or
- 14 brewed beverages excepting those packages] containing [twenty-
- 15 four] six or more original containers each holding seven fluid
- 16 ounces or more of malt or brewed beverages.
- 17 * * *
- 18 "Convenience store" shall mean a reputable place operated by
- 19 persons of good repute who may sell liquid fuels for use in
- 20 motor vehicles, which primarily sells food and nonfood items on
- 21 the premises and which has an area under one roof of one
- 22 thousand (1,000) square feet or more.
- 23 * * *
- 24 "Grocery store" shall mean a reputable place operated by
- 25 persons of good repute, which primarily sells food items on the
- 26 premises and which has an area under one roof of ten thousand
- 27 <u>(10,000) square feet or more.</u>
- 28 * * *
- "Retail dispenser" shall mean any person licensed <u>under</u>
- 30 <u>section 432</u> to engage in the retail sale of malt or brewed

- 1 beverages [for consumption on the premises of such licensee,
- 2 with the privilege of selling malt or brewed beverages in
- 3 quantities not in excess of one hundred ninety-two fluid ounces
- 4 in a single sale to one person, to be carried from the premises
- 5 by the purchaser thereof].
- 6 * * *
- 7 Section 2. Section 401(a) of the act, amended July 6, 2005
- 8 (P.L.135, No.39), is amended to read:
- 9 Section 401. Authority to Issue Liquor Licenses to Hotels,
- 10 Restaurants and Clubs. -- (a) Subject to the provisions of this
- 11 act and regulations promulgated under this act, the board shall
- 12 have authority to issue a retail liquor license for any premises
- 13 kept or operated by a hotel, restaurant or club and specified in
- 14 the license entitling the hotel, restaurant or club to purchase
- 15 liquor from a Pennsylvania Liquor Store and to keep on the
- 16 premises such liquor and, subject to the provisions of this act
- 17 and the regulations made thereunder, to sell the same and also
- 18 malt or brewed beverages to guests, patrons or members for
- 19 consumption on the hotel, restaurant or club premises. Such
- 20 licensees, other than clubs, shall be permitted to sell malt or
- 21 brewed beverages for consumption off the premises [where sold in
- 22 quantities of not more than one hundred ninety-two fluid ounces
- 23 in a single sale to one person] as provided for in section 407.
- 24 Such licenses shall be known as hotel liquor licenses,
- 25 restaurant liquor licenses and club liquor licenses,
- 26 respectively. No person who holds, either by appointment or
- 27 election, any public office which involves the duty to enforce
- 28 any of the penal laws of the United States of America or the
- 29 penal laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or any penal
- 30 ordinance or resolution of any political subdivision of this

- 1 Commonwealth shall be issued any hotel or restaurant liquor
- 2 license, nor shall such a person have any interest, directly or
- 3 indirectly, in any such license.
- 4 * * *
- 5 Section 3. Section 404 of the act, amended January 6, 2006
- 6 (P.L.1, No.1), is amended to read:
- 7 Section 404. Issuance, Transfer or Extension of Hotel,
- 8 Restaurant and Club Liquor Licenses. -- Upon receipt of the
- 9 application and the proper fees, and upon being satisfied of the
- 10 truth of the statements in the application that the applicant is
- 11 the only person in any manner pecuniarily interested in the
- 12 business so asked to be licensed and that no other person will
- 13 be in any manner pecuniarily interested therein during the
- 14 continuance of the license, except as hereinafter permitted, and
- 15 that the applicant is a person of good repute, that the premises
- 16 applied for meet all the requirements of this act and the
- 17 regulations of the board, that the applicant seeks a license for
- 18 a hotel, restaurant or club, as defined in this act, and that
- 19 the issuance of such license is not prohibited by any of the
- 20 provisions of this act, the board shall, in the case of a hotel
- 21 or restaurant, grant and issue to the applicant a liquor
- 22 license, and in the case of a club may, in its discretion, issue
- 23 or refuse a license: Provided, however, That in the case of any
- 24 new license or the transfer of any license to a new location or
- 25 the extension of an existing license to cover an additional area
- 26 the board may, in its discretion, grant or refuse such new
- 27 license, transfer or extension if such place proposed to be
- 28 licensed is within three hundred feet of any church, hospital,
- 29 charitable institution, school, or public playground, or if such
- 30 new license, transfer or extension is applied for a place which

- 1 is within two hundred feet of any other premises which is
- 2 licensed by the board: And provided further, That the board's
- 3 authority to refuse to grant a license because of its proximity
- 4 to a church, hospital, charitable institution, public playground
- 5 or other licensed premises shall not be applicable to license
- 6 applications submitted for public venues or performing arts
- 7 facilities: And provided further, That the board shall refuse
- 8 any application for a new license, the transfer of any license
- 9 to a new location or the extension of an existing license to
- 10 cover an additional area if, in the board's opinion, such new
- 11 license, transfer or extension would be detrimental to the
- 12 welfare, health, peace and morals of the inhabitants of the
- 13 neighborhood within a radius of five hundred feet of the place
- 14 proposed to be licensed: And provided further, That the board
- 15 shall have the discretion to refuse a license to any person or
- 16 to any corporation, partnership or association if such person,
- 17 or any officer or director of such corporation, or any member or
- 18 partner of such partnership or association shall have been
- 19 convicted or found guilty of a felony within a period of five
- 20 years immediately preceding the date of application for the said
- 21 license. [The board shall refuse any application for a new
- 22 license, the transfer of any license to a new location or the
- 23 extension of any license to cover an additional area where the
- 24 sale of liquid fuels or oil is conducted.] The board may enter
- 25 into an agreement with the applicant concerning additional
- 26 restrictions on the license in question. If the board and the
- 27 applicant enter into such an agreement, such agreement shall be
- 28 binding on the applicant. Failure by the applicant to adhere to
- 29 the agreement will be sufficient cause to form the basis for a
- 30 citation under section 471 and for the nonrenewal of the license

- 1 under section 470. If the board enters into an agreement with an
- 2 applicant concerning additional restrictions, those restrictions
- 3 shall be binding on subsequent holders of the license until the
- 4 license is transferred to a new location or until the board
- 5 enters into a subsequent agreement removing those restrictions.
- 6 If the application in question involves a location previously
- 7 licensed by the board, then any restrictions imposed by the
- 8 board on the previous license at that location shall be binding
- 9 on the applicant unless the board enters into a new agreement
- 10 rescinding those restrictions. The board may, in its discretion,
- 11 refuse an application for an economic development license under
- 12 section 461(b.1) or an application for an intermunicipal
- 13 transfer of a license if the board receives a protest from the
- 14 governing body of the receiving municipality. The receiving
- 15 municipality of an intermunicipal transfer or an economic
- 16 development license under section 461(b.1) may file a protest
- 17 against the transfer of a license into its municipality, and the
- 18 receiving municipality shall have standing in a hearing to
- 19 present testimony in support of or against the issuance or
- 20 transfer of a license. Upon any opening in any quota, an
- 21 application for a new license shall only be filed with the board
- 22 for a period of six months following said opening.
- Section 4. Section 407(a) of the act, amended July 7, 2006
- 24 (P.L.584, No.84), is amended to read:
- 25 Section 407. Sale of Malt or Brewed Beverages by Liquor
- 26 Licensees. -- (a) Every liquor license issued to a hotel,
- 27 restaurant, club, or a railroad, pullman or steamship company
- 28 under this subdivision (A) for the sale of liquor shall
- 29 authorize the licensee to sell malt or brewed beverages at the
- 30 same places but subject to the same restrictions and penalties

- 1 as apply to sales of liquor, except that licensees other than
- 2 clubs may sell malt or brewed beverages for consumption off the
- 3 premises where sold [in quantities of not more than one hundred
- 4 ninety-two fluid ounces in a single sale to one person]. Single
- 5 packages of one hundred twenty-eight fluid ounces or more as
- 6 prepared for the market by the manufacturer at the place of
- 7 manufacture may not be sold for consumption off the premises,
- 8 where sold. No licensee under this subdivision (A) shall at the
- 9 same time be the holder of any other class of license, except a
- 10 retail dispenser's license authorizing the sale of malt or
- 11 brewed beverages only.
- 12 * * *
- 13 Section 5. The act is amended by adding a section to read:
- 14 Section 415. Food Store Licenses. -- (a) The board is
- 15 <u>authorized to issue a food store license to the operator of a</u>
- 16 grocery store or a convenience store, who has applied for or
- 17 possesses a restaurant liquor or eating place retail dispenser
- 18 license or who has applied for a distributor or importing
- 19 <u>distributor license</u>. A restaurant liquor or eating place retail_
- 20 dispenser license applied for or granted for the purpose of
- 21 economic development or which is not subject to the quota
- 22 restrictions of section 461 may not be used to authorize the
- 23 issuance of a food store license.
- 24 (b) The application, renewal and filing fees for a food
- 25 store license shall be as prescribed for a restaurant liquor
- 26 license in section 614-A(19) of the act of April 9, 1929
- 27 (P.L.177, No.175), known as "The Administrative Code of 1929."
- 28 In addition, if the applicant is a grocery store with ten
- 29 thousand (10,000) square feet or more under one roof, then the
- 30 initial application and any subsequent transfer application

- 1 shall be subject to a surcharge of \$25,000; otherwise, if the
- 2 applicant is a convenience store or a grocery store with less
- 3 than ten thousand (10,000) square feet under one roof, then the
- 4 <u>initial application and any subsequent transfer application</u>
- 5 shall be subject to a surcharge of \$10,000. In addition, a food
- 6 store license shall be subject to a yearly surcharge of \$2,500.
- 7 All surcharges collected under this section shall be transferred
- 8 to the enforcement bureau as part of its annual appropriation,
- 9 to be used to combat underage drinking.
- 10 (c) Upon being satisfied that the applicant meets all the
- 11 requirements in this act and the board's regulations, the board
- 12 shall issue the applicant a food store license upon the
- 13 <u>surrender by the applicant of its restaurant liquor or eating</u>
- 14 place retail dispenser license or distributor or importing
- 15 distributor license.
- 16 (d) Licenses issued under this section shall be considered
- 17 restaurant liquor licenses subject to the following additional
- 18 restrictions and privileges:
- 19 (1) License holders may sell malt or brewed beverages for
- 20 consumption off the premises between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and
- 21 11:00 p.m. on Mondays through Saturdays. License holders may
- 22 sell malt or brewed beverages for consumption off the premises
- 23 between the hours of noon and 5:00 p.m. on Sundays upon
- 24 acquiring the Sunday sales permit available to restaurant liquor
- 25 license holders.
- 26 (2) License holders are not subject to the definition of a
- 27 "restaurant" unless they wish to sell alcohol for on the
- 28 premises consumption. Sales of alcohol for on the premises
- 29 consumption may occur at the same hours as any other restaurant
- 30 liquor license holder.

- 1 (3) License holders shall not be allowed to provide
- 2 entertainment as otherwise authorized by the special permit
- 3 available under section 493(10).
- 4 (4) License holders shall not be subject to section 493(14)
- 5 <u>as it relates to minors frequenting the licensed premises,</u>
- 6 <u>except section 493(14) shall apply in those areas licensed for</u>
- 7 on the premises sale, service, storage or consumption of
- 8 <u>alcohol.</u>
- 9 <u>(5) License holders shall not be subject to the prohibition</u>
- 10 on cashing certain checks set forth in section 493(15).
- 11 (6) License holders shall not be subject to the cost and
- 12 total display area limitations of section 493(20)(i).
- 13 <u>(7) Sales of malt or brewed beverages for off the premises</u>
- 14 consumption may be paid for at any register designated by the
- 15 license holder and such register may also be used to pay for
- 16 other items sold by the license holder. Sales of alcohol for on
- 17 the premises consumption may only be paid for at a register or
- 18 registers located within the area designated as the area at
- 19 which on the premises consumption of alcohol may occur.
- Section 6. Section 431(b) of the act, amended December 8,
- 21 2004 (P.L.1810, No.239), is amended to read:
- 22 Section 431. Malt and Brewed Beverages Manufacturers',
- 23 Distributors' and Importing Distributors' Licenses. --* * *
- 24 (b) (1) The board shall issue to any reputable person who
- 25 applies therefor, and pays the license fee hereinafter
- 26 prescribed, a distributor's or importing distributor's license
- 27 for the place which such person desires to maintain for the sale
- 28 of malt or brewed beverages, not for consumption on the premises
- 29 where sold, and in quantities of not less than a case or
- 30 original containers containing one hundred twenty-eight ounces

- 1 or more which may be sold separately as prepared for the market
- 2 by the manufacturer at the place of manufacture. The board shall
- 3 have the discretion to refuse a license to any person or to any
- 4 corporation, partnership or association if such person, or any
- 5 officer or director of such corporation, or any member or
- 6 partner of such partnership or association shall have been
- 7 convicted or found guilty of a felony within a period of five
- 8 years immediately preceding the date of application for the said
- 9 license: And provided further, That, in the case of any new
- 10 license or the transfer of any license to a new location, the
- 11 board may, in its discretion, grant or refuse such new license
- 12 or transfer if such place proposed to be licensed is within
- 13 three hundred feet of any church, hospital, charitable
- 14 institution, school or public playground, or if such new license
- 15 or transfer is applied for a place which is within two hundred
- 16 feet of any other premises which is licensed by the board: And
- 17 provided further, That the board shall refuse any application
- 18 for a new license or the transfer of any license to a new
- 19 location if, in the board's opinion, such new license or
- 20 transfer would be detrimental to the welfare, health, peace and
- 21 morals of the inhabitants of the neighborhood within a radius of
- 22 five hundred feet of the place proposed to be licensed. [The
- 23 board shall refuse any application for a new license or the
- 24 transfer of any license to a location where the sale of liquid
- 25 fuels or oil is conducted.] The board may enter into an
- 26 agreement with the applicant concerning additional restrictions
- 27 on the license in question. If the board and the applicant enter
- 28 into such an agreement, such agreement shall be binding on the
- 29 applicant. Failure by the applicant to adhere to the agreement
- 30 will be sufficient cause to form the basis for a citation under

- 1 section 471 and for the nonrenewal of the license under section
- 2 470. If the board enters into an agreement with an applicant
- 3 concerning additional restrictions, those restrictions shall be
- 4 binding on subsequent holders of the license until the license
- 5 is transferred to a new location or until the board enters into
- 6 a subsequent agreement removing those restrictions. If the
- 7 application in question involves a location previously licensed
- 8 by the board, then any restrictions imposed by the board on the
- 9 previous license at that location shall be binding on the
- 10 applicant unless the board enters into a new agreement
- 11 rescinding those restrictions. The board shall require notice to
- 12 be posted on the property or premises upon which the licensee or
- 13 proposed licensee will engage in sales of malt or brewed
- 14 beverages. This notice shall be similar to the notice required
- 15 of hotel, restaurant and club liquor licensees.
- 16 (2) Except as hereinafter provided, such license shall
- 17 authorize the holder thereof to sell or deliver malt or brewed
- 18 beverages in quantities above specified anywhere within the
- 19 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, which, in the case of
- 20 distributors, have been purchased only from persons licensed
- 21 under this act as manufacturers or importing distributors, and
- 22 in the case of importing distributors, have been purchased from
- 23 manufacturers or persons outside this Commonwealth engaged in
- 24 the legal sale of malt or brewed beverages or from manufacturers
- 25 or importing distributors licensed under this article. In the
- 26 case of an importing distributor, the holder of such a license
- 27 shall be authorized to store and repackage malt or brewed
- 28 beverages owned by a manufacturer at a segregated portion of a
- 29 warehouse or other storage facility authorized by section 441(d)
- 30 and operated by the importing distributor within its appointed

- 1 territory and deliver such beverages to another importing
- 2 distributor who has been granted distribution rights by the
- 3 manufacturer as provided herein. The importing distributor shall
- 4 be permitted to receive a fee from the manufacturer for any
- 5 related storage, repackaging or delivery services. In the case
- 6 of a bailee for hire hired by a manufacturer, the holder of such
- 7 a permit shall be authorized: to receive, store and repackage
- 8 malt or brewed beverages produced by that manufacturer for sale
- 9 by that manufacturer to importing distributors to whom that
- 10 manufacturer has given distribution rights pursuant to this
- 11 subsection or to purchasers outside this Commonwealth for
- 12 delivery outside this Commonwealth; or to ship to that
- 13 manufacturer's storage facilities outside this Commonwealth. The
- 14 bailee for hire shall be permitted to receive a fee from the
- 15 manufacturer for any related storage, repackaging or delivery
- 16 services. The bailee for hire shall, as required in Article V of
- 17 this act, keep complete and accurate records of all
- 18 transactions, inventory, receipts and shipments and make all
- 19 records and the licensed areas available for inspection by the
- 20 board and for the Pennsylvania State Police, Bureau of Liquor
- 21 Control Enforcement, during normal business hours.
- 22 (3) Each out of State manufacturer of malt or brewed
- 23 beverages whose products are sold and delivered in this
- 24 Commonwealth shall give distributing rights for such products in
- 25 designated geographical areas to specific importing
- 26 distributors, and such importing distributor shall not sell or
- 27 deliver malt or brewed beverages manufactured by the out of
- 28 State manufacturer to any person issued a license under the
- 29 provisions of this act whose licensed premises are not located
- 30 within the geographical area for which he has been given

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

- 1 prevent any manufacturer from authorizing the importing
- 2 distributor holding the distributing rights for a designated
- 3 geographical area from selling the products of such manufacturer
- 4 to another importing distributor also holding distributing
- 5 rights from the same manufacturer for another geographical area,
- 6 providing such authority be contained in writing and a copy
- 7 thereof be given to each of the importing distributors so
- 8 affected.
- 9 * * *
- 10 Section 7. Section 432(d) of the act, amended January 6,
- 11 2006 (P.L.1, No.1), is amended to read:
- 12 Section 432. Malt and Brewed Beverages Retail Licenses.--* *
- 13 *
- 14 (d) The board shall, in its discretion, grant or refuse any
- 15 new license, the transfer of any license to a new location or
- 16 the extension of an existing license to cover an additional area
- 17 if such place proposed to be licensed is within three hundred
- 18 feet of any church, hospital, charitable institution, school, or
- 19 public playground, or if such new license, transfer or extension
- 20 is applied for a place which is within two hundred feet of any
- 21 other premises which is licensed by the board. The board shall
- 22 refuse any application for a new license, the transfer of any
- 23 license to a new location or the extension of an existing
- 24 license to cover an additional area if, in the board's opinion,
- 25 such new license, transfer or extension would be detrimental to
- 26 the welfare, health, peace and morals of the inhabitants of the
- 27 neighborhood within a radius of five hundred feet of the place
- 28 to be licensed. The board may enter into an agreement with the
- 29 applicant concerning additional restrictions on the license in
- 30 question. If the board and the applicant enter into such an

- 1 agreement, such agreement shall be binding on the applicant.
- 2 Failure by the applicant to adhere to the agreement will be
- 3 sufficient cause to form the basis for a citation under section
- 4 471 and for the nonrenewal of the license under section 470. If
- 5 the board enters into an agreement with an applicant concerning
- 6 additional restrictions, those restrictions shall be binding on
- 7 subsequent holders of the license until the license is
- 8 transferred to a new location or until the board enters into a
- 9 subsequent agreement removing those restrictions. If the
- 10 application in question involves a location previously licensed
- 11 by the board, then any restrictions imposed by the board on the
- 12 previous license at that location shall be binding on the
- 13 applicant unless the board enters into a new agreement
- 14 rescinding those restrictions[. The board shall refuse any
- 15 application for a new license, the transfer of any license to a
- 16 location where the sale of liquid fuels or oil is conducted or
- 17 the extension of an existing license to cover an additional
- 18 area]: And provided further, That the board shall have the
- 19 discretion to refuse a license to any person or to any
- 20 corporation, partnership or association if such person, or any
- 21 officer or director of such corporation, or any member or
- 22 partner of such partnership or association shall have been
- 23 convicted or found guilty of a felony within a period of five
- 24 years immediately preceding the date of application for the said
- 25 license. The board may, in its discretion, refuse an application
- 26 for an economic development license under section 461(b.1) or an
- 27 application for an intermunicipal transfer or a license if the
- 28 board receives a protest from the governing body of the
- 29 receiving municipality. The receiving municipality of an
- 30 intermunicipal transfer or an economic development license under

- 1 section 461(b.1) may file a protest against the approval for
- 2 issuance of a license for economic development or an
- 3 intermunicipal transfer of a license into its municipality, and
- 4 such municipality shall have standing in a hearing to present
- 5 testimony in support of or against the issuance or transfer of a
- 6 license. Upon any opening in any quota, an application for a new
- 7 license shall only be filed with the board for a period of six
- 8 months following said opening.
- 9 * * *
- 10 Section 8. Section 437(f) of the act, amended December 7,
- 11 1990 (P.L.622, No.160), is amended to read:
- 12 Section 437. Prohibitions Against the Grant of Licenses. --*
- 13 * *
- 14 (f) (1) No new distributor's or importing distributor's
- 15 license shall hereafter be granted by the board in any county of
- 16 the Commonwealth where the combined number of distributor and
- 17 importing distributor licenses <u>and food service licenses that</u>
- 18 have been issued in exchange for distributor or importing
- 19 <u>distributor licenses</u> exceeds one license for each thirty
- 20 thousand inhabitants of the county in which the license is to be
- 21 issued: Provided, That a combined total of five such licenses
- 22 may be granted in any county of the Commonwealth.
- 23 (2) Nothing in this subsection shall be construed as denying
- 24 the right of the board to renew or to transfer existing
- 25 distributors' [or] _ importing distributors' <u>or food store</u>
- 26 licenses or to exchange a distributor's license for an importing
- 27 distributor's license or to exchange an importing distributor's
- 28 license for a distributor's license, or to exchange a
- 29 <u>distributor's or importing distributor's license for a food</u>
- 30 store license upon [adjustment] payment of the applicable fee,

- 1 notwithstanding that the number of such licensed places in the
- 2 county shall exceed the limitation hereinbefore prescribed:
- 3 Provided, That no distributor's license or importing
- 4 distributor's license shall be transferred from one county to
- 5 another county so long as the quota is filled in the county to
- 6 which the license is proposed to be transferred.
- 7 Section 9. Section 442(a)(1) of the act, amended November
- 8 29, 2006 (P.L.1421, No.155), is amended to read:
- 9 Section 442. Retail Dispensers' Restrictions on Purchases
- 10 and Sales. -- (a) (1) No retail dispenser shall purchase or
- 11 receive any malt or brewed beverages except in original
- 12 containers as prepared for the market by the manufacturer at the
- 13 place of manufacture. The retail dispenser may thereafter break
- 14 the bulk upon the licensed premises and sell or dispense the
- 15 same for consumption on or off the premises so licensed:
- 16 Provided, however, That [no] a retail dispenser may sell malt or
- 17 brewed beverages for consumption off the premises [in quantities
- 18 in excess of one hundred ninety-two fluid ounces] regardless of
- 19 whether it sells for consumption on the licensed premises:
- 20 Provided, further, That single packages of one hundred twenty-
- 21 eight fluid ounces or more as prepared for the market by the
- 22 <u>manufacturer at the place of manufacture may not be sold for</u>
- 23 consumption off the premises where sold: Provided, further, That
- 24 no club licensee may sell any malt or brewed beverages for
- 25 consumption off the premises where sold or to persons not
- 26 members of the club.
- 27 * * *
- Section 10. Section 461(a) of the act, amended February 21,
- 29 2002 (P.L.103, No.10), is amended to read:
- 30 Section 461. Limiting Number of Retail Licenses To Be Issued

- 1 In Each County.--(a) No additional restaurant, eating place
- 2 retail dispenser or club licenses shall be issued within a
- 3 county if the total number of restaurant and eating place retail
- 4 dispenser licenses and food store licenses that have been issued
- 5 in exchange for restaurant and eating place retail dispenser
- 6 <u>licenses</u> is greater than one license for each three thousand
- 7 inhabitants in the county, except the board may issue licenses
- 8 to public venues, performing arts facilities, continuing care
- 9 retirement communities, airport restaurants, municipal golf
- 10 courses, hotels, privately-owned private golf courses,
- 11 privately-owned public golf courses, racetracks, automobile
- 12 racetracks, nonprimary pari-mutuel wagering locations and to any
- 13 other entity which this act specifically exempts from the
- 14 limitations provided in this section, and the board may issue a
- 15 license to a club situated in a borough having a population less
- 16 than eight thousand inhabitants which is located in a county of
- 17 the second class A whose application is filed on or before
- 18 February 28, 2001. In addition, the board may issue an eating
- 19 place retail dispenser license for on-premises sales only to the
- 20 owner or operator of a facility having a minimum of a one-half
- 21 mile asphalt track and having a permanent seating capacity of at
- 22 least six thousand people used principally for holding
- 23 automobile races, regardless of the number of restaurant and
- 24 eating place retail dispenser licenses already issued in that
- 25 county. When determining the number of restaurant and eating
- 26 place retail dispenser licenses issued in a county for the
- 27 purposes of this section, licenses exempted from this limitation
- 28 and club licenses shall not be considered. Inhabitants of dry
- 29 municipalities shall be considered when determining the
- 30 population in a county. Licenses shall not be issued or

- 1 transferred into municipalities where such licenses are
- 2 prohibited pursuant to local referendum in accordance with
- 3 section 472. Licenses approved for intermunicipal transfer may
- 4 not be transferred from the receiving municipality for a period
- 5 of five years after the date that the licensed premises are
- 6 operational in the receiving municipality.
- 7 * * *
- 8 Section 11. Section 468(a)(3) of the act, amended December
- 9 20, 2000 (P.L.992, No.141), is amended to read:
- 10 Section 468. Licenses Not Assignable; Transfers.--(a) * * *
- 11 (3) [No license shall be transferred to any place or
- 12 property upon which is located as a business the sale of liquid
- 13 fuels and oil.] Except in cases of emergency such as death,
- 14 serious illness, or circumstances beyond the control of the
- 15 licensee, as the board may determine such circumstances to
- 16 justify its action, transfers of licenses may be made only at
- 17 times fixed by the board. In the case of the death of a
- 18 licensee, the board may transfer the license to the surviving
- 19 spouse or personal representative or to a person designated by
- 20 him. From any refusal to grant a transfer or upon the grant of
- 21 any transfer, the party aggrieved shall have the right of appeal
- 22 to the proper court in the manner hereinbefore provided.
- 23 * * *
- 24 Section 12. Section 493(10), (14) and (15) of the act,
- 25 amended December 20, 2000 (P.L.992, No.141) and May 8, 2003
- 26 (P.L.1, No.1), are amended and the section is amended by adding
- 27 a clause to read:
- 28 Section 493. Unlawful Acts Relative to Liquor, Malt and
- 29 Brewed Beverages and Licensees. -- The term "licensee," when used
- 30 in this section, shall mean those persons licensed under the

- 1 provisions of Article IV, unless the context clearly indicates
- 2 otherwise.
- 3 It shall be unlawful--
- 4 * * *
- 5 (10) Entertainment on Licensed Premises (Except Clubs);
- 6 Permits; Fees. For any licensee, his servants, agents or
- 7 employes, except club licensees, public venue licensees or
- 8 performing arts facility licensees, to permit in any licensed
- 9 premises or in any place operated in connection therewith,
- 10 dancing, theatricals or floor shows of any sort, or moving
- 11 pictures other than television, or such as are exhibited through
- 12 machines operated by patrons by the deposit of coins, which
- 13 project pictures on a screen not exceeding in size twenty-four
- 14 by thirty inches and which forms part of the machine, unless the
- 15 licensee shall first have obtained from the board a special
- 16 permit to provide such entertainment, or for any licensee, under
- 17 any circumstances, to permit in any licensed premises or in any
- 18 place operated in connection therewith any lewd, immoral or
- 19 improper entertainment, regardless of whether a permit to
- 20 provide entertainment has been obtained or not. The special
- 21 permit may be used only during the hours when the sale of liquor
- 22 or malt or brewed beverages is permitted, and between eleven
- 23 o'clock antemeridian on Sunday and two o'clock antemeridian on
- 24 the following Monday, regardless of whether the licensee
- 25 possesses a Sunday sales permit. The board shall have power to
- 26 provide for the issue of such special permits, and to collect an
- 27 annual fee for such permits as prescribed in section 614-A of
- 28 the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as "The
- 29 Administrative Code of 1929." All such fees shall be paid into
- 30 the State Stores Fund. No such permit shall be issued in any

- 1 municipality which, by ordinance, prohibits amusements in
- 2 licensed places. Any violation of this clause shall, in addition
- 3 to the penalty herein provided, subject the licensee to
- 4 suspension or revocation of his permit and his license. No
- 5 entertainment otherwise authorized by the special permit shall
- 6 <u>be permitted at a licensed grocery store or convenience store</u>
- 7 and no special permit may be issued to the holder of a food
- 8 store license.
- 9 * * *
- 10 (14) Permitting Undesirable Persons or Minors to Frequent
- 11 Premises. For any hotel, restaurant or club liquor licensee, or
- 12 any retail dispenser, his servants, agents or employes, to
- 13 permit persons of ill repute or prostitutes to frequent his
- 14 licensed premises or any premises operated in connection
- 15 therewith. Minors may only frequent licensed premises if: (a)
- 16 they are accompanied by a parent; (b) they are accompanied by a
- 17 legal guardian; (c) they are under proper supervision; (d) they
- 18 are attending a social gathering; or (e) the hotel, restaurant
- 19 or retail dispenser licensee has gross sales of food and
- 20 nonalcoholic beverages equal to fifty per centum or more of its
- 21 combined gross sale of both food and alcoholic beverages. If a
- 22 minor is frequenting a hotel, restaurant or retail dispenser
- 23 licensee under subsection (e), then the minor may not sit at the
- 24 bar section of the premises, nor may any alcoholic beverages be
- 25 served at the table or booth at which the said minor is seated
- 26 unless said minor is with a parent, legal quardian or under
- 27 proper supervision. Further, if a hotel, restaurant, club liquor
- 28 licensee or retail dispenser is hosting a social gathering under
- 29 subsection (d), then written notice at least forty-eight hours
- 30 in advance of such gathering shall be given to the Bureau of

- 1 Enforcement. If a minor is frequenting licensed premises with
- 2 proper supervision under subsection (c), each supervisor can
- 3 supervise up to twenty minors, except for premises located in
- 4 cities of the first class, where each supervisor can supervise
- 5 up to five minors. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this
- 6 section, if the minors are on the premises as part of a school-
- 7 endorsed function, then each supervisor can supervise fifty
- 8 minors. Nothing in this clause shall be construed to make it
- 9 unlawful for minors to frequent public venues or performing arts
- 10 facilities or for minors to frequent those portions of a grocery
- 11 store or convenience store that are not licensed for the on the
- 12 premises consumption of alcohol.
- 13 (15) Cashing Pay Roll, Public Assistance, Unemployment
- 14 Compensation or Any Other Relief Checks. For any licensee,
- 15 except a food store licensee, or his servants, agents or
- 16 employes to cash pay roll checks or to cash, receive, handle or
- 17 negotiate in any way Public Assistance, Unemployment
- 18 Compensation or any other relief checks.
- 19 * * *
- 20 (32) Selling malt or brewed beverages for off the premises
- 21 consumption without verification of identity. For any licensee
- 22 to sell malt or brewed beverages for off the premises_
- 23 consumption to a person not licensed by this act, without first
- 24 verifying the identity of the purchaser by requiring the person
- 25 to produce one of the forms of identification set forth in
- 26 section 495.
- Section 13. Section 499(a.1) of the act, amended October 5,
- 28 1994 (P.L.522, No.77), is amended to read:
- 29 Section 499. Premises to be Vacated by Patrons. --* * *
- 30 (a.1) Subsection (a) shall not apply to sales of malt and

- 1 brewed beverages for consumption off the premises when the
- 2 following conditions are met:
- 3 [(1) no licensee may sell malt or brewed beverages in excess
- 4 of one hundred ninety-two fluid ounces in any one sale for
- 5 consumption off the premises;]
- 6 (2) sales and service of malt and brewed beverages for
- 7 consumption off the premises are made prior to the designated
- 8 time the licensee is required by this act to cease serving
- 9 liquor, malt or brewed beverages;
- 10 (3) persons who have purchased malt and brewed beverages for
- 11 consumption off the premises shall remove the malt and brewed
- 12 beverages from the premises by the designated time as contained
- 13 in this act that patrons are required to vacate the premises;
- 14 (4) no club licensee may sell any malt or brewed beverage
- 15 for consumption off the premises where sold or to any persons
- 16 who are not members of the club.
- 17 * * *
- 18 Section 14. This act shall take effect in 60 days.