
Commerce & Labor Committee

HB 2825

Brief Description: Allowing certain alcohol permit holders to obtain alcohol in nonbeverage form directly from suppliers.

Sponsors: Representatives Conway, Condotta and Armstrong.

Brief Summary of Bill

- Allows persons engaged in medical or dental pursuits, in charge of a hospital or sanitarium, or engaged in mechanical or manufacturing or scientific pursuits, and with a class 1 or 2 liquor permit, to obtain liquor directly from a supplier.

Hearing Date: 1/25/08

Staff: Joan Elgee (786-7106).

Background:

The Liquor Control Board (Board) issues permits for specific limited purposes. A class 1 permit allows physicians, dentists, and persons in charge of a hospital or sanitarium to purchase liquor. A class 2 permit allows a person engaged in the mechanical or manufacturing business or in scientific pursuits requiring alcohol to purchase liquor. The liquor for these purposes is typically nonbeverage spirits.

Two other permits allow the purchase of alcohol directly from a supplier. Manufacturers of confections or food products who use liquor in their products and druggists who use liquor in prescriptions may purchase liquor directly from a supplier.

Summary of Bill:

Persons with class 1 or 2 liquor permits may purchase nonbeverage liquor directly from a supplier and are not required to purchase the liquor from the Board.

Rules Authority: The bill does not address the rule-making powers of an agency.

Appropriation: None.

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Fiscal Note: Available.

Effective Date: The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.