FINAL BILL REPORT SHB 1038

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Increasing the number of tasting rooms allowed under a domestic winery license.

Sponsors: House Committee on Commerce & Gaming (originally sponsored by Representatives Condotta, Stanford, Johnson, Vick, Haler and Sawyer).

House Committee on Commerce & Gaming House Committee on Appropriations Senate Committee on Commerce, Labor & Sports

Background:

A domestic winery license, issued by the Liquor & Cannabis Board, authorizes the manufacture of wine in the state. Subject to restrictions, a domestic winery may also act as a distributor and retailer of wine of its own production while complying with the laws applicable to wine distributors and retailers, and take orders and accept payment for wines of its own production during an event held by a nonprofit holding a special occasion license. Also, a domestic winery may qualify for an endorsement to sell wine of its own production at retail for off-premises consumption at a qualifying farmers' market, subject to restrictions.

Separate from a domestic winery's production or manufacturing sites, a domestic winery may operate up to two additional locations from which the domestic winery may serve samples of its own products, sell wine of its own production at retail, and sell for off-premises consumption wines of its own production in kegs or sanitary containers brought to the premises by the purchaser or furnished by the domestic winery and filled at the tap at the time of sale. An endorsement to sell wine of a domestic winery's own production at retail for off-premise consumption at a qualifying farmers' market does not count toward those two separate locations allotted to a domestic winery.

Summary:

The number of locations separate from a domestic winery's production or manufacturing sites from which a domestic winery may serve samples of its own products, sell wine of its own production at retail, and sell for off-premises consumption wines of its own production in

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kegs or sanitary containers brought to the premises by the purchaser or furnished by the domestic winery and filled at the tap at the time of sale is increased from two to four.

Votes on Final Passage:

House 94 4

Senate 43 6 (Senate amended) House 93 2 (House concurred)

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