FINAL BILL REPORT HB 2605

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Creating a special permit by a manufacturer of beer to hold a private event for the purpose of tasting and selling beer of its own production.

Sponsors: Representatives Kirby, Vick, Blake and Rossetti.

House Committee on Commerce & Gaming Senate Committee on Commerce & Labor

Background:

Wine manufacturers and distilleries may apply to the Liquor and Cannabis Board (LCB) for a special permit to conduct tastings and sales of wine or spirits of their own production. The permit allows for the sale and consumption of wine or liquor at private, invitation-only gatherings held in a specific place and at a specific time. The permit costs \$10 and must be displayed during the event. The LCB may issue no more than 12 permits per year to a single wine manufacturer or distillery.

The LCB is not authorized to issue a special permit to beer manufacturers to hold similar private events.

Summary:

The LCB may issue a special permit to a beer manufacturer allowing the manufacturer to conduct a private tasting and sales event involving beer of its own production. The permit allows for the sale and consumption of beer at private, invitation-only gatherings held in a specified place at a specified time. The permit costs \$10 and must be displayed during the event. The LCB may issue no more than 12 permits per year to a single beer manufacturer.

Votes on Final Passage:

House 93 5 Senate 43 4

Effective: June 9, 2016

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