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HOUSE BILL ***597-FN***

AN ACT relative to sales of beverages and wine hosted by other licensees.

SPONSORS: Rep. Williams, Hills. 4

COMMITTEE: Commerce and Consumer Affairs

ANALYSIS

 This bill allows nano brewery licensees to distribute samples at a wine manufacturer's facility for an annual fee.

 This bill also allows wine manufacturer licensees to distribute samples at a nano brewery.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
 Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struckthrough]~~
 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Nineteen

AN ACT relative to sales of beverages and wine hosted by other licensees.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 34:1 New Paragraph; Nano Breweries; Samples. Amend RSA 178:12-a by inserting after
2 paragraph VII the following new paragraph:

3 VIII. For an additional annual fee of \$120, any nano brewery licensee may transport its
4 products to a wine manufacturer's facility licensed under RSA 178:8, for the purpose of sampling or
5 selling its products. Samples may be sold or given away. Retail sales made at the wine
6 manufacturer's facility shall be limited to products in their unopened original containers and to
7 customers and persons of legal drinking age. Nano breweries shall be subject to the following
8 additional limitations under this section:

9 (a) Nano brewery licensees shall be limited to one sampling event per day.

10 (b) Sampling and sales of the nano brewery licensee's products shall conform to the
11 normal business hours of the winery licensee.

12 (c) Sample sizes shall be limited to one 16-ounce glass per person if no food is available
13 and 2 16-ounce glasses if food is available.

14 (d) Nano brewery licensee products brought to a sampling event shall be brought to the
15 wine manufacturer's facility on the day of the event and all such products shall be removed at the
16 end of the event.

17 (e) Nano brewery licensees shall notify the commission of date, times, and location of
18 each sampling event not less than 5 days before each event.

19 34:2 New Paragraph; Wine Manufacturers; Samples. Amend RSA 178:8 by inserting after
20 paragraph VII the following new paragraph:

21 VIII. For an additional annual fee of \$120, any wine manufacturer licensee may transport
22 its products to a nano brewery licensed under RSA 178:12-a, for the purpose of sampling or selling
23 its products. Samples may be sold or given away. Retail sales made at the nano brewery shall be
24 limited to products in their unopened original containers and to customers and persons of legal
25 drinking age. Wine manufacturers shall be subject to the following additional limitations under this
26 section:

27 (a) Wine manufacturer licensees shall be limited to one sampling event per day.

28 (b) Sampling and sales of the wine manufacturer licensee's products shall conform to the
29 normal business hours of the nano brewery licensee.

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- 1 (c) Sample sizes shall be limited to one 4-ounce glass per person if no food is available
2 and 2 4-ounce glasses if food is available.
- 3 (d) Wine manufacturer licensee products brought to a sampling event shall be brought to
4 the nano brewery on the day of the event and all such products shall be removed at the end of the
5 event.
- 6 (e) Wine manufacturer licensees shall notify the commission of date, times, and location
7 of each sampling event not less than 5 days before each event.
- 8 34:3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved: May 15, 2019
Effective Date: May 15, 2019