THE SENATE THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, 2023 STATE OF HAWAII

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ALCOHOL.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 Section 244D-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is SECTION 1. 2 amended by amending the definition of "beer" to read as follows: 3 ""Beer" means any alcoholic beverage containing no less 4 than 0.5 per cent alcohol by volume obtained by the fermentation or any infusion or decoction of [barley,] malt, [hops, or any 5 other similar product, or any combination thereof in water, and] 6 7 wholly or in part, or any substitute, including grain of any kind, bran, glucose, sugar, or molasses. "Beer" includes ale, 8 9 porter, brown, stout, lager beer, small beer, [and] strong beer 10 [but], and alcoholic seltzer beverages. "Beer" does not include 11 sake, also known as Japanese rice wine [, or]; cooler 12 beverage [-]; or any products of distillation, by whatever name 13 known, that contain distilled spirits, alcoholic spirits, or 14 spirits." 15 SECTION 2. Section 281-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is

amended by amending the definition of "beer" to read as follows:

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1	""Beer" means any <u>alcoholic</u> beverage <u>containing no less</u>				
2	than 0.5 per cent alcohol by volume obtained by the [alcoholic]				
3	fermentation of any infusion or decoction of [barley or other				
4	grain,] malt, [and hops in water.] wholly or in part, or any				
5	substitute, including grain of any kind, bran, glucose, sugar,				
6	or molasses. "Beer" includes ale, porter, brown, stout, lager				
7	beer, small beer, strong beer, and alcoholic seltzer beverages.				
8	"Beer" does not include sake, also known as Japanese rice wine;				
9	cooler beverage; or any products of distillation, by whatever				
10	name known, that contain distilled spirits, alcoholic spirits,				
11	or spirits."				
12	SECTION 3. Section 281-31, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is				
13	amended by amending subsection (n) to read as follows:				
14	"(n) Class 14. Brewpub license. A brewpub licensee:				
15	(1) May sell malt beverages and beer manufactured on the				
16	licensee's premises for consumption on the premises;				
17	(2) May sell malt beverages and beer manufactured by the				
18	licensee in brewery-sealed packages to class 3				
19	wholesale dealer licensees pursuant to conditions				
20	imposed by the county by ordinance or rule;				

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1	(3)	May sell intoxicating liquor purchased from a class 3			
2		wholesale dealer licensee to consumers for consumption			
3		on the licensee's premises. The categories of			
4		establishments shall be as follows:			
5		(A) A standard bar; or			
6		(B) Premises in which live entertainment or recorded			
7		music is provided. Facilities for dancing by the			
8		patrons may be permitted as provided by			
9		commission rules;			
10	(4)	May, subject to federal labeling and bottling			
11		requirements, sell malt beverages and beer			
12		manufactured on the licensee's premises to consumers			
13		in brewery-sealed kegs and recyclable or reusable			
14		containers and sell malt beverages and beer			
15		manufactured on the licensee's premises or purchased			
16		from a class 1 manufacturer licensee, a class 3			
17		wholesale dealer licensee, a class 14 brewpub			
18		licensee, or a class 18 small craft producer pub			
19		licensee to consumers in growlers for off-premises			
20		consumption; provided that for purposes of this			
21		paragraph, "growler" means a recyclable or reusable			

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1		container that does not exceed one gallon and is
2		securely sealed on the licensee's premises;
3	(5)	Shall comply with all requirements pertaining to class
4		4 retail dealer licensees when engaging in the retail
5		sale of malt beverages[; and beer;
6	(6)	May, subject to federal labeling and bottling
7		requirements, sell malt beverages and beer
8		manufactured on the licensee's premises in brewery-
9		sealed containers directly to class 2 restaurant
10		licensees, class 3 wholesale dealer licensees, class 4
11		retail dealer licensees, class 5 dispenser licensees,
12		class 6 club licensees, class 8 transient vessel
13		licensees, class 9 tour or cruise vessel licensees,
14		class 10 special licensees, class 11 cabaret
15		licensees, class 12 hotel licensees, class 13 caterer
16		licensees, class 14 brewpub licensees, class 15
17		condominium hotel licensees, class 18 small craft
18		producer pub licensees, and consumers pursuant to
19		conditions imposed by county ordinances or rules
20		governing class 1 manufacturer licensees and class 3
21		wholesale dealer licensees;

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1	(7)	Мау	condu	ct the activities under paragraphs (1) to (6)		
2		at 1	at locations other than the licensee's primary			
3		manufacturing premises; provided that:				
4		(A) The manufacturing takes place in [Hawaii;] <u>the</u>				
5			State	e;		
6		(B)	Each	of the other locations:		
7			(i)	Operates within the State under the same		
8				trade name for the premises; and		
9			(ii)	Is properly licensed within the county of		
10				its operation as a class 1 manufacturer		
11				licensee, class 2 restaurant licensee, class		
12				4 retail dealer licensee, class 5 dispenser		
13				licensee, class 12 hotel licensee, class 14		
14				brewpub licensee, or class 18 small craft		
15				producer pub licensee;		
16		(C)	The c	county liquor commission of the county in		
17			which	n the licensee satellite is located shall		
18			have	jurisdiction of the satellite; and		
19		(D)	All ı	requirements of the license class of the		
20			locat	tion shall be in effect as required by the		

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1	county liquor commission for the satellite
2	licensed premises; and
3	(8) May allow minors, who are accompanied by a parent or
4	legal guardian of legal drinking age, on the
5	licensee's premises."
6	SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
7	and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
8	SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on June 30, 3000.

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Report Title:

Alcohol; Beer; Liquor Tax Law; Liquor Law; Brewpubs

Description:

Expands the definition of "beer" under the liquor tax laws and liquor laws to mean any alcoholic beverage containing no less than 0.5 per cent alcohol by volume obtained by fermentation of any infusion or decoction of malt or any substitute, including alcohol seltzer beverages and excluding sake, cooler beverages, and other distilled products. Authorizes brewpubs to sell beer they manufacture, or beer manufactured on their premises, subject to certain conditions. Effective 6/30/3000. (HD1)

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