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HOUSE BILL 2223

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTIONS 4-101, 4-203 AND 4-205.02, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; AMENDING TITLE 4, CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE 1, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 4-205.14; AMENDING SECTIONS 4-207, 4-207.03, 4-241, 4-243, 4-244.04 AND 42-3355, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO LIQUOR.

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1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona: 2 Section 1. Section 4-101, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 3 read: 4 4-101. <u>Definitions</u> 5 In this title, unless the context otherwise requires: 6 1. "Act of violence": 7 (a) Means an incident that consists of a riot, a fight, an 8 altercation or tumultuous conduct and that meets at least one of the 9 following criteria: 10 (i) In which Bodily injuries are sustained by any person and the 11 injuries would be obvious to a reasonable person. 12 (ii) IS of sufficient intensity as to require the intervention of a 13 peace officer to restore normal order. 14 (iii) In which A weapon is brandished, displayed or used. 15 (iv) In which A licensee or an employee or contractor of the 16 licensee fails to follow a clear and direct lawful order from a law 17 enforcement officer or a fire marshal. 18 (b) Does not include the use of nonlethal devices by a peace 19 officer. 20 2. "Aggrieved party" means a person who resides at, owns or leases 21 property within a one-mile radius of premises proposed to be licensed and 22 who filed a written request with the department to speak in favor of or 23 opposition to the issuance of the license not later than sixty days after 24 filing the application or fifteen days after action by the local governing 25 body, whichever is sooner. 26 3. "Beer": (a) Means any beverage obtained by the alcoholic fermentation, 27 28 infusion or decoction of barley malt, hops, rice, bran or other grain, 29 glucose, sugar or molasses, or any combination of them, and may include, 30 as adjuncts in fermentation, honey, fruit, fruit juice, fruit concentrate, 31 herbs, spices and other food materials. 32 (b) Includes beer aged in an empty wooden barrel previously used to 33 contain wine or distilled spirits and as such is not considered a dilution 34 or mixture of any other spirituous liquor. 35 4. "Biometric identity verification device" means a device 36 authorized by the department that instantly verifies the identity and age 37 of a person by an electronic scan of a biometric of the person, through a 38 fingerprint, iris image, facial image or other biometric characteristic, 39 or any combination of these characteristics, that references the person's 40 identity and age against any record described in section 4-241, subsection 41 K, and that meets all of the following conditions: 42 (a) The authenticity of the record was previously verified by an 43 electronic authentication process. 44 (b) The identity of and information about the record holder was 45 previously verified through either:

1 (i) A secondary, electronic authentication process or set of 2 processes using commercially available data, such as a public records 3 query or a knowledge-based authentication quiz.

4 (ii) Using a state or federal government system of records for 5 digital authentication.

6 (c) The authenticated record was securely linked to biometrics 7 contemporaneously collected from the verified record holder and is stored 8 in a centralized, highly secured, encrypted biometric database.

9 10 5. "Board" means the state liquor board.

6. "Bona fide guest" means:

11 (a) An individual who is personally familiar to the member, who is 12 personally sponsored by the member and whose presence as a guest is in 13 response to a specific and personal invitation.

(b) In the case of a club that meets the criteria prescribed in paragraph 8, subdivision (a) of this section, a current member of the armed services of the United States who presents proper military identification and any member of a recognized veterans' organization of the United States and of any country allied with the United States during current or past wars or through treaty arrangements.

7. "Broken package" means any container of spirituous liquor on which the United States tax seal has been broken or removed or from which the cap, cork or seal placed on the container by the manufacturer has been removed.

8. "Club" includes any of the following organizations where the sale of spirituous liquor for consumption on the premises is made only to members, spouses of members, families of members, bona fide guests of members and guests at other events authorized in this title:

(a) A post, chapter, camp or other local unit composed solely of
 veterans and its duly recognized auxiliary that has been chartered by the
 Congress of the United States for patriotic, fraternal or benevolent
 purposes and that has, as the owner, lessee or occupant, operated an
 establishment for that purpose in this state.

(b) A chapter, aerie, parlor, lodge or other local unit of an
American national fraternal organization that has, as the owner, lessee or
occupant, operated an establishment for fraternal purposes in this state.
An American national fraternal organization as used in this subdivision
shall actively operate in at least thirty-six states or have been in
active continuous existence for at least twenty years.

39 (c) A hall or building association of a local unit mentioned in 40 subdivisions (a) and (b) of this paragraph of which all of the capital 41 stock is owned by the local unit or the members and that operates the 42 clubroom facilities of the local unit.

43 (d) A golf club that has more than fifty bona fide members and that 44 owns, maintains or operates a bona fide golf links together with a 45 clubhouse.

1 (e) A social club that has more than one hundred bona fide members 2 who are actual residents of the county in which it is located, that owns, 3 maintains or operates club quarters, that is authorized and incorporated 4 to operate as a nonprofit club under the laws of this state, and that has 5 been continuously incorporated and operating for a period of at least one 6 year. The club shall have had, during this one-year period, a bona fide 7 membership with regular meetings conducted at least once each month, and 8 the membership shall be and shall have been actively engaged in carrying 9 out the objects of the club. The club's membership shall consist of bona fide dues-paying members paying dues of at least \$6 per year, payable 10 11 monthly, quarterly or annually, which have been recorded by the secretary 12 of the club, and the members at the time of application for a club license 13 shall be in good standing having for at least one full year paid dues. At 14 least fifty-one percent of the members shall have signified their intention to secure a social club license by personally signing a 15 16 petition, on a form prescribed by the board, which shall also include the 17 correct mailing address of each signer. The petition shall not have been 18 signed by a member at a date earlier than one hundred eighty days before 19 the filing of the application. The club shall qualify for exemption from 20 the payment of state income taxes under title 43. It is the intent of 21 this subdivision that a license shall not be granted to a club that is, or 22 has been, primarily formed or activated to obtain a license to sell liquor, but solely to a bona fide club, where the sale of liquor is 23 24 incidental to the main purposes of the club.

25 (f) An airline club operated by or for airlines that are 26 certificated by the United States government and that maintain or operate 27 club quarters located at airports with international status.

9. "Company" or "association", when used in reference to a
 corporation, includes successors or assigns.

30 "Control" means the power to direct or cause the direction of 10. 31 the management and policies of an applicant or licensee, whether through the ownership of voting securities or a partnership interest, by agreement 32 33 or otherwise. Control is presumed to exist if a person has the direct or indirect ownership of or power to vote ten percent or more of the 34 35 outstanding voting securities of the applicant or licensee or to control 36 in any manner the election of one or more of the directors of the 37 applicant or licensee. In the case of a partnership, control is presumed to mean the general partner or a limited partner who holds ten percent or 38 39 more of the voting rights of the partnership. For the purposes of 40 determining the percentage of voting securities owned, controlled or held 41 by a person, there shall be aggregated with the voting securities 42 attributed to the person the voting securities of an officer, partner, 43 employee or agent of the person or a spouse, parent or child of the person. Control is also presumed to exist if a creditor of the applicant 44 45 or licensee holds a beneficial interest in ten percent or more of the liabilities of the licensee. The presumptions in this paragraph regarding
 control are rebuttable.

3 11. "Controlling person" means a person directly or indirectly4 possessing control of an applicant or licensee.

5 12. "Craft distiller" means a distiller in the United States or in 6 a territory or possession of the United States that holds a license 7 pursuant to section 4-205.10.

8 13. "CRAFT PRODUCER" MEANS A LICENSED FARM WINERY, A LICENSED9 MICROBREWERY OR A LICENSED CRAFT DISTILLER.

10 13. 14. "Department" means the department of liquor licenses and 11 control.

12 14. 15. "Director" means the director of the department of liquor 13 licenses and control.

14 15. 16. "Distilled spirits" includes alcohol, brandy, whiskey, 15 rum, tequila, mescal, gin, absinthe, a compound or mixture of any of them 16 or of any of them with any vegetable or other substance, alcohol bitters, 17 bitters containing alcohol, fruits preserved in ardent spirits, and any 18 alcoholic mixture or preparation, whether patented or otherwise, that may 19 in sufficient quantities produce intoxication.

16. 17. "Employee" means any person who performs any service on licensed premises on a full-time, part-time or contract basis with consent of the licensee, whether or not the person is denominated an employee or independent contractor or otherwise. Employee does not include a person who is exclusively on the premises for musical or vocal performances, for repair or maintenance of the premises or for the delivery of goods to the licensee.

17. 18. "Farm winery" means a winery in the United States or in a
 territory or possession of the United States that holds a license pursuant
 to section 4-205.04.

18. 19. "Government license" means a license to serve and sell 30 31 spirituous liquor on specified premises available only to a state agency, 32 state board, state commission, county, city, town, community college or state university or the national guard or Arizona coliseum and exposition 33 center on application by the governing body of the state agency, state 34 board, state commission, county, city, town, community college or state 35 36 university or the national guard or Arizona exposition and state fair 37 board.

38 19. 20. "Legal drinking age" means twenty-one years of age or 39 older.

40 20. 21. "License" means a license or an interim retail permit 41 issued pursuant to this title.

42 21. 22. "Licensee" means a person who has been issued a license or 43 an interim retail permit pursuant to this title or a special event 44 licensee. 22. 23. "License fees" means fees collected for license issuance,
 license application, license renewal, interim permit issuance and license
 transfer between persons or locations.

4 23. 24. "Manager" means a natural person who meets the standards 5 required of licensees and who has authority to organize, direct, carry on, 6 control or otherwise operate a licensed business on a temporary or 7 full-time basis.

8 24. 25. "Menu food item" means a food item from a regular menu, 9 special menu or happy hour menu that is prepared by the licensee or the 10 licensee's employee.

11 25. 26. "Microbrewery" means a brewery in the United States or in 12 a territory or possession of the United States that meets the requirements 13 of section 4-205.08.

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26. 27. "Mixed cocktail":

15 (a) Means any drink combined at the premises of an authorized 16 licensee that contains a spirituous liquor and that is combined with at 17 least one other ingredient, which may include additional spirituous 18 liquors, fruit juice, vegetable juice, mixers, cream, flavored syrup or 19 other ingredients except water, and that when combined contains more than 20 one-half of one percent of alcohol by volume.

(b) Does not include a drink sold in an original manufacturer's packaging or any drink poured from an original manufacturer's package without the addition of all of the cocktail's other ingredients at the premises of the licensed bar, liquor store or restaurant.

25 27. 28. "Off-sale retailer" means any person that operates a bona 26 fide regularly established retail liquor store selling THAT SELLS 27 spirituous liquors, wines and beer and any established retail store that 28 sells commodities other than spirituous liquors and that is engaged in the 29 sale of spirituous liquors only in the original unbroken package, to be 30 taken away from the premises of the retailer and to be consumed off the 31 premises.

32 28. 29. "On-sale retailer" means any person operating an 33 establishment where spirituous liquors are sold in the original container 34 for consumption on or off the premises or in individual portions for 35 consumption on the premises.

36 29. 30. "Permanent occupancy" means the maximum occupancy of the 37 building or facility as set by the office of the state fire marshal for 38 the jurisdiction in which the building or facility is located.

39 30. 31. "Person" includes a partnership, limited liability
 40 company, association, company or corporation, as well as a natural person.
 41 31. 32. "Premises" or "licensed premises":

42 (a) Means the area from which the licensee is authorized to sell, 43 dispense or serve spirituous liquors under the provision of the 44 license. Premises or licensed premises 1 (b) Includes a patio that is not contiguous to the remainder of the 2 premises or licensed premises if the patio is separated from the remainder 3 of the premises or licensed premises by a public or private walkway or 4 driveway not to exceed thirty feet, subject to rules the director may 5 adopt to establish criteria for noncontiguous premises.

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32. 33. "Registered alcohol delivery contractor":

7 (a) Means a person who delivers spirituous liquor to a consumer on 8 behalf of a bar, beer and wine bar, liquor store, beer and wine store or 9 restaurant.

10 11 (b) Does not include:

(i) A motor carrier as defined in section 28-5201.

12 (ii) An independent contractor, a subcontractor of an independent 13 contractor, an employee of an independent contractor or an employee of a 14 subcontractor as provided in section 4-203, subsection J.

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33. 34. "Registered mail" includes certified mail.

16 34. 35. "Registered retail agent" means any person who is 17 authorized pursuant to section 4-222 to purchase spirituous liquors for 18 and on behalf of the person and other retail licensees.

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35. 36. "Repeated acts of violence" means:

(a) For licensed premises with a permanent occupancy of two hundred
 or fewer persons, two or more acts of violence occurring within seven days
 or three or more acts of violence occurring within thirty days.

(b) For licensed premises with a permanent occupancy of more than two hundred but not more than four hundred persons, four or more acts of violence within thirty days.

(c) For licensed premises with a permanent occupancy of more than
 four hundred but not more than six hundred fifty persons, five or more
 acts of violence within thirty days.

(d) For licensed premises with a permanent occupancy of more than
 six hundred fifty but not more than one thousand fifty persons, six or
 more acts of violence within thirty days.

(e) For licensed premises with a permanent occupancy of more than
 one thousand fifty persons, seven or more acts of violence within thirty
 days.

35 36. 37. "Sell" includes soliciting or receiving an order for,
 36 keeping or exposing for sale, directly or indirectly delivering for value,
 37 peddling, keeping with intent to sell and trafficking in.

37. 38. "Spirituous liquor" includes alcohol, brandy, whiskey, 38 rum, tequila, mescal, gin, wine, porter, ale, beer, any malt liquor or 39 40 malt beverage, absinthe, a compound or mixture of any of them or of any of 41 them with any vegetable or other substance, alcohol bitters, bitters 42 containing alcohol, any liquid mixture or preparation, whether patented or 43 otherwise, that produces intoxication, fruits preserved in ardent spirits, 44 and beverages containing more than one-half of one percent of alcohol by 45 volume.

1 38. 39. "Tamperproof sealed" means designed to prevent consumption 2 without the removal of a tamperproof cap, seal, cork or closure that has a 3 device, mechanism or adhesive that clearly shows whether a container has 4 been opened.

5 39. 40. "Vehicle" means any means of transportation by land, water 6 or air, and includes everything made use of in any way for such 7 transportation.

8 40. 41. "Vending machine" means a machine that dispenses 9 merchandise through the means of coin, token, credit card or other 10 nonpersonal means of accepting payment for merchandise received.

11 41. 42. "Veteran" means a person who has served in the United 12 States air force, army, navy, marine corps or coast guard, as an active 13 nurse in the services of the American red cross, in the army and navy 14 nurse corps in time of war, or in any expedition of the armed forces of 15 the United States, and who has received a discharge other than 16 dishonorable.

17 42. 43. "Voting security" means any security presently entitling 18 the owner or holder of the security to vote for the election of directors 19 of an applicant or a licensee.

43. 44. "Wine" means the product obtained by the fermentation of grapes, other agricultural products containing natural or added sugar or cider or any such alcoholic beverage fortified with grape brandy and containing not more than twenty-four percent of alcohol by volume.

24 Sec. 2. Section 4-203, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 25 read:

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4-203. Licenses; issuance; transfer; reversion to state

27 A. A spirituous liquor license shall be issued only after satisfactory showing of the capability, qualifications and reliability of 28 29 the applicant and, with the exception of wholesaler, producer, government or club licenses, that the public convenience requires and that the best 30 31 interest of the community will be substantially served by the issuance. If 32 application is filed for the issuance of a transferable or an nontransferable license, other than for a craft distiller license, a 33 microbrewery license or a farm winery license, for a location that on the 34 35 date the application is filed has a valid license of the same series, or 36 in the case of a restaurant license application filed for a location with a valid hotel-motel license, issued at that location, there shall be a 37 rebuttable presumption that the public convenience and best interest of 38 39 the community at that location was established at the time the location 40 was previously licensed. The presumption may be rebutted by competent 41 contrary evidence. The presumption shall not apply once the licensed 42 location has not been in use for more than one hundred eighty days and the 43 presumption shall not extend to the personal qualifications of the 44 applicant.

B. The license shall be to manufacture, sell or deal in spirituous liquors only at the place and in the manner provided in the license. A separate license shall be issued for each specific business, and each shall specify:

5 1. The particular spirituous liquors that the licensee is 6 authorized to manufacture, sell or deal in.

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2. The place of business for which issued.

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3. The purpose for which the liquors may be manufactured or sold.

9 A spirituous liquor license issued to a bar, a liquor store or a С. beer and wine bar shall be transferable as to any permitted location 10 11 within the same county, if the transfer meets the requirements of an 12 original application. A spirituous liquor license may be transferred to a 13 person qualified to be a licensee, if the transfer is pursuant to either 14 judicial decree, nonjudicial foreclosure of a legal or equitable lien, including security interests held by financial institutions pursuant to 15 16 section 4-205.05, a sale of the license, a bona fide sale of the entire 17 business and stock in trade, or other bona fide transactions that are 18 provided for by rule. Any change in ownership of the business of a 19 licensee, directly or indirectly, as defined by rule is deemed a transfer, 20 except that there is no transfer if a new artificial person is added to 21 the ownership of a licensee's business but the controlling persons remain 22 identical to the controlling persons that have been previously disclosed 23 to the director as part of the licensee's existing ownership.

24 D. All applications for a new license pursuant to section 4-201 or 25 for a transfer to a new location pursuant to subsection C of this section 26 shall be filed with and determined by the director, except when the 27 governing body of the city or town or the board of supervisors receiving 28 an application pursuant to section 4-201 orders disapproval of the 29 application or when the director, the state liquor board or any aggrieved 30 party requests a hearing. The application shall then be presented to the 31 state liquor board, and the new license or transfer shall not become 32 effective unless approved by the state liquor board.

E. A person who assigns, surrenders, transfers or sells control of a liquor license or business that has a spirituous liquor license shall notify the director within thirty business days after the assignment, surrender, transfer or sale. A spirituous liquor license shall not be leased or subleased. A concession agreement entered into under section 4-205.03 is not considered a lease or sublease in violation of this section.

F. If a person other than those persons originally licensed acquires control over a license or licensee, the person shall file notice of the acquisition with the director within thirty business days after the acquisition of control and a list of officers, directors or other controlling persons on a form prescribed by the director. There is no acquisition of control if a new person is added to the ownership of a

1 licensee's business but the controlling persons remain identical to the 2 controlling persons that have been previously disclosed to the director as 3 part of the licensee's existing ownership. All officers, directors or 4 other controlling persons shall meet the qualifications for licensure as 5 prescribed by this title. On request, the director shall conduct a 6 preinvestigation before the assignment, sale or transfer of control of a 7 license or licensee, the reasonable costs of which, not more than \$1,000, 8 shall be borne by the applicant. The preinvestigation shall determine 9 whether the qualifications for licensure as prescribed by this title are 10 On receipt of notice of an acquisition of control or request of a met. 11 preinvestigation, the director, within fifteen days after receipt, shall 12 forward the notice of the acquisition of control to the local governing 13 body of the city or town, if the licensed premises is in an incorporated 14 area, or the county, if the licensed premises is in an unincorporated The director shall include in the notice to the local governing 15 area. 16 body written instructions on how the local governing body may examine, 17 free of charge, the results of the department's investigation regarding 18 the capabilities, qualifications and reliability of all officers. 19 directors or other controlling persons listed in the application for 20 acquisition of control. The local governing body, or the governing body's 21 designee, may provide the director with a recommendation, either in favor 22 of or against the acquisition of control, within sixty days after the director mails the notice, but section 4-201 does not apply to the 23 24 acquisition of control provided for in this section. A local governing 25 body may charge not more than one fee, regardless of the number of 26 licenses held by the applicant, for review of one or more applications for 27 acquisition of control submitted to the department at the same time and 28 for the same entity. Within one hundred five days after filing the notice 29 of the acquisition of control, the director shall determine whether the 30 applicant is qualified. capable and reliable for licensure. A 31 recommendation by the local governing body, or the governing body's 32 designee, against the acquisition of control or denial by the director shall be set for a hearing before the board. The person who has acquired 33 34 control of a license or licensee has the burden of an original application 35 at the hearing, and the board shall make its determination pursuant to 36 section 4-202 and this section with respect to capability, reliability and 37 qualification.

A licensee who holds a license in nonuse status for more than 38 G. 39 five months shall be required to pay a \$100 surcharge for each month 40 thereafter. The surcharge shall be paid at the time the license is 41 returned to active status. A license automatically reverts to the state 42 after being held in continuous nonuse for more than thirty-six months. 43 The director may waive the surcharge and may extend the time period provided in this subsection for good cause if the licensee files a written 44 45 request for an extension of time to place the license in active status 1 before the date of the automatic reversion. Unless the reverted license 2 of the licensee has been subsequently reissued, the director shall relieve a licensee or its legal representative from a prior license reversion 3 4 under this section if the request for such relief is filed in writing not 5 later than two years after the date of reversion. A license shall not be 6 deemed to have gone into active status if the license is transferred to a 7 location that at the time of or immediately before the transfer had an 8 active license of the same type, unless the licenses are under common 9 ownership or control.

H. A restructuring of a licensee's business is not an acquisition of control, a transfer of a spirituous liquor license or the issuance of a new spirituous liquor license if both of the following apply:

All of the controlling persons of the licensee and the new
 business entity are identical.

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2. There is no change in control or beneficial ownership.

16 I. If subsection H of this section applies, the licensee's history 17 of violations of this title is the history of the new business entity. 18 The director may prescribe a form and shall require the applicant to 19 provide the necessary information to ensure compliance with this 20 subsection and subsections F and G of this section.

21 J. Notwithstanding subsection B of this section, the holder of a 22 retail license in this state having off-sale privileges, except a bar, 23 beer and wine bar or restaurant licensee, may take orders by telephone, 24 mail, fax or catalog, through the internet or by other means for the sale 25 and delivery of spirituous liquor off of the licensed premises to a person 26 this state in connection with the sale of spirituous liquor. in Notwithstanding the definition of "sell" prescribed in section 4-101, the 27 placement of an order and payment pursuant to this section is not a sale 28 29 until delivery has been made. At the time that the order is placed, the licensee shall inform the purchaser that state law requires a purchaser of 30 31 spirituous liquor to be at least twenty-one years of age and that the person accepting delivery of the spirituous liquor is required to comply 32 33 with this state's age identification requirements as prescribed in section 4-241, subsections A and K. The licensee may maintain a delivery service 34 35 and may contract with one or more independent contractors, that may also 36 contract with one or more independent contractors, or may contract with a 37 common carrier for delivery of spirituous liquor if the spirituous liquor is loaded for delivery at the premises of the retail licensee in this 38 39 state and delivered in this state. Except if the person delivering the 40 order has personally retrieved and bagged or otherwise packaged the 41 container of spirituous liquor for delivery and the licensee records, or 42 requires to be recorded electronically, the identification information for 43 each delivery, all containers of spirituous liquor delivered pursuant to this subsection shall be conspicuously labeled with the words "contains 44 45 alcohol, signature of person who is twenty-one years of age or older is

1 required for delivery". The licensee is responsible for any violation of 2 this title or any rule adopted pursuant to this title that is committed in 3 connection with any sale or delivery of spirituous liquor. Delivery must 4 be made by an employee of the licensee or other authorized person as 5 provided by this section who is at least twenty-one years of age to a 6 customer who is at least twenty-one years of age and who displays an 7 identification at the time of delivery that complies with section 4-241, 8 subsection K. The retail licensee shall collect payment for the full 9 price of the spirituous liquor from the purchaser before the product leaves the licensed premises. The director shall adopt rules that set 10 11 operational limits for the delivery of spirituous liquors by the holder of 12 a retail license having off-sale privileges. With respect to the delivery 13 of spirituous liquor, for any violation of this title or any rule adopted 14 pursuant to this title that is based on the act or omission of a licensee's employee or other authorized person, the mitigation provision 15 16 of section 4-210, subsection G applies, with the exception of the training 17 requirement. For the purposes of this subsection and notwithstanding the 18 definition of "sell" prescribed in section 4-101, section 4-241. 19 subsections A and K apply only at the time of delivery. For the purposes 20 compliance with this subsection. an independent contractor, a of 21 subcontractor of an independent contractor, the employee of an independent 22 contractor or the employee of a subcontractor is deemed to be acting on 23 behalf of the licensee when making a delivery of spirituous liquor for the 24 licensee.

25 K. Except as provided in subsection J of this section, Arizona 26 licensees may transport spirituous liquors for themselves in vehicles 27 owned, leased or rented by the licensee.

28 L. Notwithstanding subsection B of this section, an off-sale retail 29 licensee may provide consumer tasting of wines off of the licensed 30 premises subject to all applicable provisions of section 4-206.01.

M. The director may adopt reasonable rules to protect the public interest and prevent abuse by licensees of the activities permitted such licensees by subsections J and L of this section.

34 N. Failure to pay any surcharge prescribed by subsection G of this 35 section or failure to report the period of nonuse of a license shall be 36 grounds for revocation of the license or grounds for any other sanction 37 provided bv this title. The director may consider extenuating circumstances if control of the license is acquired by another party in 38 39 determining whether or not to impose any sanctions under this subsection.

0. If a licensed location has not been in use for three years, the location must requalify for a license pursuant to subsection A of this section and shall meet the same qualifications required for issuance of a new license except when the director deems that the nonuse of the location was due to circumstances beyond the licensee's control and an extension of time has been granted pursuant to subsection G of this section. 1 P. If the licensee's interest is forfeited pursuant to section 2 4-210, subsection L, the location shall requalify for a license pursuant 3 to subsection A of this section and shall meet the same qualifications 4 required for issuance of a new license except when a bona fide lienholder 5 demonstrates mitigation pursuant to section 4-210, subsection K.

6 Q. The director may implement a procedure for the issuance of a 7 license with a licensing period of two years.

8 R. For any sale of a farm winery or craft distiller or change in 9 ownership of a farm winery or craft distiller directly or indirectly, the 10 business, stock-in-trade and spirituous liquor may be transferred with the 11 ownership, in compliance with the applicable requirements of this title.

12 S. Notwithstanding subsection B of this section, bar, beer and wine 13 bar, liquor store, beer and wine store or restaurant licensees in this state may take orders by telephone, mail, fax or catalog, through the 14 internet or by other means for the sale and delivery of spirituous liquor 15 off the licensed premises as follows: 16

17 1. Bar licensees for beer, wine, distilled spirits and mixed cocktails. 18

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2. Beer and wine bar licensees for beer and wine.

20 3. Liquor store licensees for beer, wine, distilled spirits and 21 mixed cocktails.

22 23 4. Beer and wine store licensees for beer and wine.

5. Restaurant licensees for any of the following:

24 (a) Mixed cocktails, with the sale of menu food items for consumption on or off the licensed premises, if the restaurant holds a 25 26 permit issued pursuant to section 4-203.07 and section 4-205.02, 27 subsection K or a lease pursuant to section 4-203.06.

28 (b) Beer if the restaurant holds a permit issued pursuant to 29 section 4-205.02, subsection H.

(c) Beer, wine and distilled spirits if the restaurant holds an 30 31 off-sale privileges lease with a bar or liquor store pursuant to section 32 4-203.07.

(d) Beer and wine if the restaurant holds an off-sale privileges 33 lease with a beer and wine bar pursuant to section 4-203.07. 34

T. Notwithstanding the definition of "sell" prescribed in section 35 36 4-101, placing an order and paying for that order pursuant to subsection S of this section is not a sale until delivery has been made. At the time 37 that the order is placed, the licensee shall inform the purchaser that 38 39 state law requires a purchaser of spirituous liquor to be at least 40 twenty-one years of age and that the person accepting delivery of the 41 spirituous liquor is required to comply with this state's age 42 identification requirements as prescribed in section 4-241, subsections A 43 and K. The licensee may maintain a delivery service and may contract with 44 one or more alcohol delivery contractors registered pursuant to section 45 4-205.13 for delivery of spirituous liquor if the spirituous liquor is

1 packaged and tamperproof sealed by the bar, beer and wine bar, liquor store, beer and wine store or restaurant licensee or the licensee's 2 3 employee and is loaded for delivery at the premises of the restaurant, 4 beer and wine bar, liquor store, beer and wine store or bar licensee in 5 this state and delivered in this state on the same business day. A liquor 6 store or beer and wine store licensee may contract with one or more 7 independent contractors as provided in subsection J of this section for 8 delivery of spirituous liquor if the spirituous liquor is loaded for 9 delivery at the premises of the liquor store or beer and wine store licensee in this state and delivered in this state on the same business 10 11 dav. All containers of spirituous liquor delivered pursuant to subsection 12 S of this section shall be tamperproof sealed and conspicuously labeled 13 with the words "contains alcohol, signature of person who is twenty-one years of age or older is required for delivery". The licensee is 14 responsible for any violation of this title or any rule adopted pursuant 15 16 to this title that is committed in connection with any sale or delivery of 17 spirituous liquor. Delivery must be made by an employee of the licensee 18 an employee or authorized independent contractor of a registered or 19 alcohol delivery contractor as provided by this section who is at least 20 twenty-one years of age and delivery must be made to a customer who is at 21 least twenty-one years of age and who displays an identification at the 22 time of delivery that complies with section 4-241, subsection K. The restaurant, beer and wine bar, liquor store, beer and wine store or bar 23 24 licensee shall collect payment for the full price of the spirituous liquor 25 from the purchaser before the product leaves the licensed premises. The 26 director shall adopt rules that set operational limits for the delivery of spirituous liquor pursuant to this subsection and subsection S of this 27 section with respect to the delivery of spirituous liquor. 28 For any 29 violation of this title or any rule adopted pursuant to this title that is 30 based on the act or omission of a licensee's employee or a registered 31 alcohol delivery contractor, the mitigation provision of section 4-210, 32 subsection G applies, with the exception of the training requirement. For 33 the purposes of this subsection and notwithstanding the definition of "sell" prescribed in section 4-101, section 4-241, subsections A and K 34 apply only at the time of delivery. An alcohol delivery contractor, a 35 36 subcontractor of an alcohol delivery contractor, an employee of an alcohol delivery contractor or an employee of a subcontractor is deemed to be 37 acting on behalf of the licensee when making a delivery of spirituous 38 liquor for the licensee. For the purposes of this subsection, "business 39 40 day" means between the hours of 6:00 a.m. of one day and 2:00 a.m. of the 41 next day.

U. A LICENSEE THAT HAS OFF-SALE PRIVILEGES AND THAT DELIVERS
SPIRITUOUS LIQUOR AS PRESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION SHALL COMPLETE A WRITTEN
RECORD OF EACH DELIVERY AT THE TIME OF DELIVERY. THE WRITTEN RECORD SHALL
INCLUDE ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

1 1. THE NAME OF THE LICENSEE MAKING THE DELIVERY. 2 2. THE COMPLETE ADDRESS OF THE LICENSEE MAKING THE DELIVERY. 3 3. THE LICENSEE'S LICENSE NUMBER. 4 4. THE DATE AND TIME OF THE DELIVERY. 5 5. THE ADDRESS WHERE THE DELIVERY WAS MADE. 6 6. THE TYPE AND BRAND OF ALL SPIRITUOUS LIQUOR DELIVERED. 7 V. A LICENSEE THAT HAS OFF-SALE PRIVILEGES AND THAT DELIVERS 8 SPIRITUOUS LIQUOR AS PRESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION SHALL OBTAIN THE FOLLOWING 9 INFORMATION FROM THE INDIVIDUAL WHO ACCEPTS DELIVERY: 10 1. THE INDIVIDUAL'S NAME. 11 2. THE INDIVIDUAL'S DATE OF BIRTH. THE INDIVIDUAL'S SIGNATURE. 12 THE LICENSEE MAKING THE DELIVERY 3. 13 MAY USE AN ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE SYSTEM TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF 14 THIS PARAGRAPH. 15 Sec. 3. Section 4-205.02, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 16 read: 4-205.02. <u>Restaurant license; issuance; regulatory</u> 17 18 provisions; expiration; off-sale leases and 19 permits: fee: definitions 20 The director may issue a restaurant license to any restaurant in Α. 21 this state that is regularly open for serving food to guests for 22 compensation and that has suitable kitchen facilities connected with the 23 restaurant for keeping, cooking and preparing foods required for ordinary 24 meals. 25 B. The director shall issue the license in the name of the 26 restaurant on application for the license by the owner or lessee of the 27 restaurant, if the applicant is otherwise qualified to hold a spirituous 28 liquor license. The holder of such a license is subject to the penalties 29 prescribed for any violation of the law relating to alcoholic beverages. 30 C. The holder of a restaurant license may sell and serve spirituous 31 liquors solely for consumption on the licensed premises. For the purpose of this subsection, "licensed premises" may include rooms, areas or 32 locations in which the restaurant normally sells or serves spirituous 33 34 liquors pursuant to regular operating procedures and practices and that are contiguous to the restaurant or a noncontiguous patio pursuant to 35 36 section 4-101, paragraph 31 32. For the purposes of this subsection, a 37 restaurant licensee must submit proof of tenancy or permission from the 38 landowner or lessor for all property to be included in the licensed 39 premises. 40 D. In addition to other grounds prescribed in this title on which a

41 license may be revoked, the director may require the holder of a 42 restaurant license issued pursuant to this section to surrender the 43 license in any case in which the licensee ceases to operate as a 44 restaurant, as prescribed in subsection A of this section. The surrender 45 of a license pursuant to this subsection does not prevent the director 1 from revoking the license for other grounds prescribed in this title or 2 for making deliberate material misrepresentations to the department 3 regarding the licensee's equipment, service or entertainment items or 4 seating capacity in applying for the restaurant license.

5 E. Neither the director nor the board may initially issue a 6 restaurant license if either finds that there is sufficient evidence that 7 the operation will not satisfy the criteria adopted by the director for 8 issuing a restaurant license described in section 4-209, subsection B, 9 The director shall issue a restaurant license only if the paragraph 12. applicant has submitted a plan for the operation of the restaurant. The 10 11 plan shall be completed on forms provided by the department and shall 12 include listings of all restaurant equipment and service items, the 13 restaurant seating capacity and other information requested by the 14 department to substantiate that the restaurant will operate in compliance 15 with this section.

F. The holder of the license described in section 4-209, subsection B, paragraph 12 who intends to alter the seating capacity or dimensions of a restaurant facility shall notify the department in advance on forms provided by the department.

20 G. The director may charge a fee for site inspections conducted 21 before the issuance of a restaurant license.

22 H. A restaurant applicant or licensee may apply for a permit allowing for the sale of beer for consumption off the licensed premises 23 24 pursuant to section 4-244, paragraph 32, subdivision (c) on a form prescribed and furnished by the director. The department shall not issue 25 26 a permit to a restaurant applicant or licensee that does not meet the requirements in section 4-207, subsection A. Section 4-207, subsection B 27 28 does not apply to this subsection. The permit shall be issued only after 29 the director has determined that the public convenience requires and that 30 the best interest of the community will be substantially served by the 31 issuance of the permit, considering the same criteria adopted by the 32 director for issuing a restaurant license described in section 4-209, subsection B, paragraph 12. The amount of beer sold under the permit 33 shall not exceed ten percent of gross revenue of spirituous liquor sold by 34 35 the establishment. After the permit has been issued, the permit shall be 36 noted on the license itself and in the records of the department. The 37 director may charge a fee for processing the application for the permit 38 and a renewal fee.

I. Notwithstanding any rule adopted by the department, business establishments that relied on a form issued by the department that provides for a small restaurant exemption for fifty or fewer seats before January 31, 2019 are allowed to continue to maintain the capacity of fifty or fewer seats for the duration of the business. The rights of a business establishment subject to this section are not transferable. 1 J. Notwithstanding section 4-203, subsection E, section 4-207 and 2 section 4-210, subsection A, paragraph 6, through December 31, 2025, a restaurant applicant or licensee may apply to the department for a lease 3 4 for the privilege of selling mixed cocktails for consumption off the 5 licensed premises pursuant to section 4-203.06 and section 4-244, paragraph 32, subdivision (d). 6

7 K. Notwithstanding section 4-207, beginning January 1, 2026, a 8 restaurant applicant or licensee may apply for a permit to allow the sale 9 of mixed cocktails for consumption off the licensed premises pursuant to section 4-203.07 and section 4-244, paragraph 32, subdivision (d), on a 10 11 form prescribed and furnished by the director. The sale of mixed 12 cocktails for consumption off the licensed premises must be accompanied by 13 the sale of menu food items for consumption on or off the licensed premises. The department shall issue the permit only after the director 14 has determined that the public convenience requires and that the best 15 16 interest of the community will be substantially served by issuing the 17 permit. All permit holders and their employees, managers and agents must 18 complete alcohol training pursuant to section 4-112, subsection G, paragraph 2. After the department issues the permit, the permit shall be 19 20 noted on the license itself and in the records of the department. The 21 director may establish and charge a fee for processing the permit 22 application and a renewal fee.

23 L. A restaurant licensee shall cease selling spirituous liquor, 24 including mixed cocktails, for off-premises consumption when the licensee 25 ceases regular kitchen service for food.

26 27 For the purposes of this section:

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М. "Gross revenue":

(a) Means the revenue derived from all sales of food and spirituous 28 29 liquor on the licensed premises, regardless of whether the sales of 30 spirituous liquor are made under a restaurant license issued pursuant to 31 this section or under any other license that has been issued for the 32 premises pursuant to this article.

33 (b) Includes revenue derived from spirituous liquor sold for 34 off-sale consumption.

2. "Restaurant" means an establishment that derives at least forty 35 36 percent of its gross revenue from the sale of food, including sales of 37 food for consumption off the licensed premises if the amount of these 38 sales included in the calculation of gross revenue from the sale of food 39 does not exceed fifteen percent of all gross revenue of the restaurant.

40 Sec. 4. Title 4, chapter 2, article 1, Arizona Revised Statutes, is 41 amended by adding section 4-205.14, to read:

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4-205.14. Microbrewery festival license; microbrewery fair license; fee

A. THE DIRECTOR MAY ISSUE ON A TEMPORARY BASIS A MICROBREWERY 44 45 FESTIVAL LICENSE THAT AUTHORIZES:

1 1. THE SAMPLING OF THE MICROBREWERY PRODUCTS ON THE MICROBREWERY FESTIVAL PREMISES. 2 3 2. THE SALE OF PRODUCTS FOR CONSUMPTION ON THE MICROBREWERY 4 FESTIVAL PREMISES. 5 3. THE SALE OF PRODUCTS IN THE ORIGINAL CONTAINER FOR CONSUMPTION 6 OFF THE MICROBREWERY FESTIVAL PREMISES. 7 B. BEFORE THE DIRECTOR MAY ISSUE A MICROBREWERY FESTIVAL LICENSE. A 8 MICROBREWERY FESTIVAL THAT IS TO OCCUR AT AN OTHERWISE UNLICENSED LOCATION 9 OR AT A LOCATION THAT IS NOT FULLY WITHIN THE LICENSEE'S EXISTING LICENSED PREMISES MUST BE APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY, OR 10 11 THE BOARD'S DESIGNEE, IF THE EVENT IS TO BE HELD IN AN UNINCORPORATED AREA 12 OR BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OR TOWN, OR THE GOVERNING BODY'S 13 DESIGNEE, IF THE EVENT IS TO BE HELD IN A CITY OR TOWN. A DENIAL BY THE COUNTY, CITY OR TOWN MUST BE FORWARDED TO THE DIRECTOR WITHIN SIXTY DAYS 14 AFTER THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE COUNTY, CITY OR TOWN UNLESS 15 16 THE APPLICANT HAS REQUESTED MORE TIME FOR CONSIDERATION OF THF 17 APPLICATION. 18 C. THE APPROVAL PROCESS PRESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION B OF THIS SECTION 19 DOES NOT APPLY TO PHYSICAL LOCATIONS THAT ARE FULLY LOCATED WITHIN A 20 LICENSED PREMISES. 21 D. THE DIRECTOR MAY ISSUE ONE OR MORE MICROBREWERY FESTIVAL 22 LICENSES FOR EACH LICENSED MICROBREWERY, FOR A TOTAL OF UP TO ONE HUNDRED FIFTY CALENDAR DAYS FOR EACH MICROBREWERY. THE DIRECTOR MAY ESTABLISH A 23 24 FEE FOR EACH DAY OF EACH EVENT FOR A MICROBREWERY FESTIVAL LICENSE. 25 E. ANY MICROBREWERY MAY APPLY FOR A MICROBREWERY FESTIVAL LICENSE 26 PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION. 27 F. A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE LICENSED MICROBREWERY MAY CONSUME SMALL AMOUNTS OF THE PRODUCTS OF THE LICENSED MICROBREWERY ON THE FESTIVAL 28 29 PREMISES FOR THE PURPOSE OF QUALITY CONTROL. G. THE DIRECTOR MAY ISSUE A MICROBREWERY FAIR LICENSE WITH THE 30 31 PERMISSION OF STATE FAIR ORGANIZERS OR COUNTY FAIR ORGANIZERS. ANY MICROBREWERY MAY ALLOW THE SAMPLING OF MICROBREWERY PRODUCTS ON THE FAIR 32 PREMISES, THE SALE OF THE PRODUCTS FOR CONSUMPTION ON THE FAIR PREMISES 33 AND THE SALE OF THE PRODUCTS IN ORIGINAL CONTAINERS FOR CONSUMPTION OFF OF 34 THE FAIR PREMISES AT ANY SANCTIONED STATE FAIR OR COUNTY FAIR. THE 35 36 DIRECTOR MAY ESTABLISH A FEE FOR EACH DAY FOR EACH EVENT FOR A 37 MICROBREWERY FAIR LICENSE. H. SECTION 4-201 DOES NOT APPLY TO THE LICENSES PROVIDED UNDER THIS 38 39 SECTION. 40 Sec. 5. Section 4-207, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 41 read: 42 4-207. Restrictions on licensing premises near school 43 buildings; definition A retailer's license shall not be issued for any premises that 44 Α. 45 are, at the time the license application is received by the director,

1 within three hundred horizontal feet of a public or private school 2 building with kindergarten programs or any of grades one through twelve or 3 within three hundred horizontal feet of a fenced recreational area 4 adjacent to such school building. This section does not prohibit the 5 renewal of a valid license issued pursuant to this title if, on the date 6 that the original application for the license is filed, the premises were 7 not within three hundred horizontal feet of a public or private school 8 building with kindergarten programs or any of grades one through twelve or 9 within three hundred horizontal feet of a fenced recreational area adjacent to such school building. 10

B. Subsection A of this section does not apply to a:

12 1. Restaurant issued a license pursuant to section 4-205.02, 13 subject to the limitations in section 4-205.02, subsection H for a permit 14 allowing for the sale of beer for consumption off of the licensed premises 15 pursuant to section 4-244, paragraph 32, subdivision (c).

2. Special event license issued pursuant to section 4-203.02.

3. Hotel-motel issued a license pursuant to section 4-205.01.

4. Government license issued pursuant to section 4-205.03.

19 5. Playing area of a golf course issued a license pursuant to this 20 article.

6. Beer and wine license at a nonprofit performing arts theatre with a permanent seating capacity of at least two hundred fifty persons.

23 7. Craft distillery festival license issued pursuant to section24 4-205.11.

25 8. Farm winery festival license issued pursuant to section 26 4-203.03.

9. MICROBREWERY FESTIVAL LICENSE OR MICROBREWERY FAIR LICENSE18. ISSUED PURSUANT TO SECTION 4-205.14.

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C. Notwithstanding subsection A of this section:

1. A transferable spirituous liquor license that is validly issued 30 31 and that is, on the date an application for a transfer is filed, within three hundred horizontal feet of a public or private school building with 32 33 kindergarten programs or any of grades one through twelve or within three hundred horizontal feet of a fenced recreational area adjacent to such 34 35 school building may be transferred person to person pursuant to sections 36 4-201, 4-202 and 4-203 and remains in full force until the license is 37 terminated in any manner, unless renewed pursuant to section 4-209, 38 subsection A.

2. A person may be issued a spirituous liquor license pursuant to sections 4-201, 4-202 and 4-203 of the same class for premises that, on the date the application is filed, have a valid transferable or nontransferable license of the same series if the premises are, on the date an application for the license is filed, within three hundred horizontal feet of a public or private school building with kindergarten programs or any of grades one through twelve or within three hundred 1 horizontal feet of a fenced recreational area adjacent to such school 2 building and the license remains in full force until the license is 3 terminated in any manner, unless renewed pursuant to section 4-209, 4 subsection A.

5 3. A person may be issued a liquor store license pursuant to 6 sections 4-201, 4-202, 4-203 and 4-206.01 for premises that have a beer 7 and wine store license validly issued if the premises, on the date an 8 application for such license is filed, are within three hundred horizontal 9 feet of a public or private school building with kindergarten programs or any of grades one through twelve or within three hundred horizontal feet 10 11 of a fenced recreational area adjacent to such school building and the 12 license remains in full force until the license is terminated in any 13 manner, unless renewed pursuant to section 4-209, subsection A.

14 4. The governing body of a city or town, on a case-by-case basis, may approve an exemption from the distance restrictions prescribed in this 15 16 section for a public or private school that is located in an area that is 17 designated an entertainment district by the governing body of that city or 18 town. A city or town with a population of at least five hundred thousand persons may designate not more than three entertainment districts within 19 20 the boundaries of the city or town pursuant to this paragraph. A city or 21 town with a population of at least two hundred thousand persons but less 22 than five hundred thousand persons may designate not more than two entertainment districts within the boundaries of the city or town pursuant 23 24 to this paragraph. A city or town with a population of less than two 25 hundred thousand persons may designate not more than one entertainment 26 district within the boundaries of the city or town pursuant to this 27 paragraph.

28 5. A person may be issued a beer and wine store license pursuant to 29 sections 4-201, 4-202, 4-203 and 4-206.01 for premises that have a liquor 30 store license validly issued if the premises, on the date of an 31 application for which the license is filed, are within three hundred horizontal feet of a public or private school building with kindergarten 32 33 programs or any of grades one through twelve or within three hundred horizontal feet of a fenced recreation area adjacent to such school 34 35 building and the license remains in full force until the license is 36 terminated in any manner, unless renewed pursuant to section 4-209, 37 subsection A.

D. For the purposes of this section, "entertainment district" means 38 39 a specific contiguous area that is designated an entertainment district by a resolution adopted by the governing body of a city or town, that 40 41 consists of not more than one square mile, that is not less than 42 one-eighth of a mile in width and that contains a significant number of 43 entertainment, artistic and cultural venues, including music halls, 44 concert facilities, theaters, arenas, stadiums, museums, studios, 45 galleries, restaurants, bars and other related facilities.

Sec. 6. Section 4-207.03, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 1 2 read: 3 4-207.03. Extended premises; application; requirements; fee 4 A. An on-sale spirituous liquor licensee may apply to the director 5 to extend the licensed premises on an individual day or hour basis or on a 6 regular recurring basis. The application for an extended premises shall 7 be on a form prescribed by the director. The application shall contain 8 plans and diagrams that completely disclose and designate the physical 9 arrangement of the proposed extended premises. The applicant licensee shall submit a copy of the application to the local governing body at 10 11 least sixty days before submitting the application to the director. The 12 local governing body or the local governing body's designee may review the 13 application and provide an advisory recommendation to the director. IF THE LOCAL GOVERNING BODY OR THE LOCAL GOVERNING BODY'S DESIGNEE COMPLETES 14 THE REVIEW AND PROVIDES AN ADVISORY RECOMMENDATION TO THE DIRECTOR BEFORE 15 16 THE CONCLUSION OF THE SIXTY-DAY PERIOD, THE DIRECTOR MAY ACT ON THE 17 APPLICATION BEFORE THE EXPIRATION OF THE SIXTY-DAY PERIOD. 18 The applicant licensee shall submit with the application a Β. 19 security plan. The applicant licensee shall identify the security 20 measures that will be implemented by the applicant licensee for the 21 extended premises. The security plan shall: 22 1. Provide for the safety of patrons. 23 Ensure that an individual who is under the legal drinking age 2. 24 does not purchase, possess or consume spirituous liquor on the extended 25 premises. 26 3. Prevent the unauthorized removal of spirituous liquor from the 27 extended premises. 28 4. Prevent the unauthorized carrying of spirituous liquor onto the 29 extended premises. 30 C. The applicant licensee shall file with the application and may 31 modify from time to time a schedule showing the date and time periods when 32 the extended premises will be in use. The applicant licensee shall 33 provide at least ten days' written notice of the modification to the 34 department. D. The right of a licensee to use an extended premises may be 35 36 limited or revoked by the director for a violation of this title or any 37 rule adopted pursuant to this title. 38 E. The department may charge a fee in an amount prescribed by the 39 director for the review and processing of applications. 40 F. A licensee with extended premises may not allow an individual

41 who is under the legal drinking age and who is not accompanied by a 42 spouse, parent, grandparent or legal guardian of legal drinking age to 43 remain in an area on the extended premises during hours in which the 44 primary use of the premises is the sale, dispensing or consumption of spirituous liquor after the licensee or licensee's employees know or
 should have known that the individual is under the legal drinking age.
 Sec. 7. Section 4-241, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
 read:
 4-241. Selling or giving liquor to underage person; illegally

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4-241. <u>Selling or giving liquor to underage person; illegally</u> <u>obtaining liquor by underage person; violation;</u> <u>classification; definition</u>

8 A. If a licensee, an employee of the licensee or any other person 9 questions or has reason to question that the person ordering, purchasing, 10 attempting to purchase or otherwise procuring or attempting to procure the 11 serving or delivery of spirituous liquor or entering a portion of a 12 licensed premises when the primary use is the sale or service of 13 spirituous liquor is under the legal drinking age, the licensee, employee 14 of the licensee or other person shall do all of the following:

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1. Demand identification from the person.

16 2. Examine the identification to determine that the identification 17 reasonably appears to be a valid, unaltered identification that has not 18 been defaced.

19 3. Examine the photograph in the identification and determine that 20 the person reasonably appears to be the same person in the identification.

4. Determine that the date of birth in the identification indicatesthe person is not under the legal drinking age.

23 B. A licensee or an employee of the licensee who follows the 24 procedures prescribed in subsection A of this section and who records and 25 retains a record of the person's identification on this particular visit, 26 or a licensee or an employee of the licensee who uses a biometric identity verification device to verify a person is not under the legal drinking age 27 as provided in subsection W of this section, is not in violation of 28 29 subsection J of this section or section 4–244, paragraph 9 or 22. This 30 defense applies to actions of the licensee and all employees of the 31 licensee after the procedure prescribed in subsection A or W of this section has been employed during the particular visit to the licensed 32 premises by the person. A licensee or an employee of the licensee is not 33 required to demand and examine identification of a person pursuant to 34 subsection A or W of this section if, during this visit to the licensed 35 36 premises by the person, the licensee or any employee of the licensee has 37 previously followed the procedure prescribed in subsection A or W of this 38 section.

C. Proof that the licensee or employee followed the entire procedure prescribed in subsection A of this section but did not record and retain a record as prescribed in subsection B of this section is an affirmative defense to a criminal charge under subsection J of this section or under section 4-244, paragraph 9 or 22 or a disciplinary action under section 4-210 for a violation of subsection J of this section or section 4-244, paragraph 9 or 22. This defense applies to actions of the 1 licensee and all employees of the licensee after the procedure has been 2 employed during the particular visit to the licensed premises by the 3 person.

D. A licensee or an employee who has not recorded and retained a record of the identification AS prescribed by subsection B of this section is presumed not to have followed any of the elements prescribed in subsection A of this section.

8 E. For the purposes of section 4-244, paragraph 22, a licensee or 9 an employee who has not recorded and retained a record of the 10 identification AS prescribed by subsection B of this section is presumed 11 to know that the person entering or attempting to enter a portion of a 12 licensed premises when the primary use is the sale or service of 13 spirituous liquor is under the legal drinking age.

F. It is a defense to a violation of subsection A of this section for the person ordering, purchasing, attempting to purchase or otherwise procuring or attempting to procure the serving or delivery of spirituous liquor or to enter a portion of a licensed premises when the primary use is the sale or service of spirituous liquor is not under the legal drinking age.

G. A person penalized for a violation of subsection J of this section or section 4-244, paragraph 22 shall not be additionally penalized for a violation of subsection A or W of this section relating to the same event.

24 H. The defenses provided in this section do not apply to a licensee 25 or an employee who has actual knowledge that the person exhibiting the 26 identification is under the legal drinking age.

I. Any of the following types of records are acceptable forms forrecording the person's identification:

A writing containing the type of identification, the date of
 issuance of the identification, the name on the identification, the date
 of birth on the identification and the signature of the person.

32 2. An electronic file or printed document produced by a device that 33 reads the person's age from the identification.

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3. A dated and signed photocopy of the identification.

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4. A photograph of the identification.

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5. A digital copy of the identification.

J. An off-sale retail licensee or employee of an off-sale retail licensee shall require an instrument of identification from any customer who appears to be under twenty-seven years of age and who is using a drive-through or other physical feature of the licensed premises that allows a customer to purchase spirituous liquor without leaving the customer's vehicle.

43 K. The following written instruments are the only types of 44 identification that are acceptable under subsection A of this section: 1 1. An unexpired driver license issued by this state. A driver 2 license issued to a person who is under twenty-one years of age is no 3 longer an acceptable type of identification under this paragraph thirty 4 days after the person turns twenty-one years of age.

5 2. An unexpired driver license issued by any other state, the 6 District of Columbia, any territory of the United States or Canada if the 7 license includes a picture of the person and the person's date of birth.

8 3. An unexpired nonoperating identification license issued pursuant 9 to section 28-3165. An unexpired nonoperating license issued to a person 10 who is under twenty-one years of age is no longer an acceptable type of 11 identification under this paragraph thirty days after the person turns 12 twenty-one years of age.

4. A form of identification license issued by any other state, the District of Columbia, any territory of the United States or Canada if the license is substantially equivalent to a nonoperating identification license issued pursuant to section 28-3165 and includes a picture of the person and the person's date of birth.

18 5. An unexpired armed forces identification card that includes the 19 person's picture and date of birth.

20 6. A valid unexpired passport or a valid unexpired resident alien 21 card that contains a photograph of the person and the person's date of 22 birth.

7. A VALID UNEXPIRED CONSULAR IDENTIFICATION CARD THAT IS ISSUED BY
A FOREIGN GOVERNMENT IF THE FOREIGN GOVERNMENT USES BIOMETRIC IDENTITY
VERIFICATION TECHNIQUES IN ISSUING THE CONSULAR IDENTIFICATION CARD. FOR
THE PURPOSES OF THIS PARAGRAPH, "BIOMETRIC IDENTITY VERIFICATION
TECHNIQUES" HAS THE SAME MEANING PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 41-5001.

L. A person who is under the legal drinking age and who misrepresents the person's age to any person by means of a written instrument of identification with the intent to induce a person to sell, serve, give or furnish spirituous liquor contrary to law is guilty of a class 1 misdemeanor.

M. A person who is under the legal drinking age and who solicits another person to purchase, sell, give, serve or furnish spirituous liquor contrary to law is guilty of a class 3 misdemeanor.

N. A person who is under the legal drinking age and who uses a fraudulent or false written instrument of identification or identification of another person or uses a valid license or identification of another person to gain access to a licensed establishment is guilty of a class 1 misdemeanor.

0. A person who uses a driver or nonoperating identification license in violation of subsection L or N of this section is subject to suspension of the driver or nonoperating identification license as provided in section 28-3309. A person who does not have a valid driver or nonoperating identification license and who uses a driver or nonoperating identification license of another in violation of subsection N of this
 section has the person's right to apply for a driver or nonoperating
 identification license suspended as provided by section 28-3309.

4 P. A person who knowingly influences the sale, giving or serving of 5 spirituous liquor to a person under the legal drinking age by 6 misrepresenting the age of such person or who orders, requests, receives 7 or procures spirituous liquor from any licensee, employee or other person 8 with the intent of selling, giving or serving it to a person under the 9 legal drinking age is guilty of a class 1 misdemeanor. A licensee or employee of a licensee who has actual knowledge that a person is under the 10 11 legal drinking age and who admits the person into any portion of the 12 licensed premises in violation of section 4-244, paragraph 22 is in 13 violation of this subsection. In addition to other penalties provided by law, a judge may suspend a driver license issued to or the driving 14 privilege of a person for not more than thirty days for a first conviction 15 16 and not more than six months for a second or subsequent conviction under 17 this subsection.

Q. A person who is at least eighteen years of age and who is an occupant of an unlicensed premises is guilty of a class 1 misdemeanor if the person knowingly hosts on the unlicensed premises a gathering of two or more persons who are under the legal drinking age and if the person knows that one or more of the persons under the legal drinking age are in possession of or consuming spirituous liquor on the unlicensed premises.

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R. For the purposes of subsection Q of this section:

25 1. "Hosts" means allowing or promoting a party, gathering or event 26 at a person's place of residence or other premises under the person's 27 ownership or control where spirituous liquor is served to, in the 28 possession of or consumed by an underage person.

29 2. "Occupant" means a person who has legal possession or the legal 30 right to exclude others from the unlicensed premises.

31 S. A peace officer shall forward or electronically transfer to the 32 director of the department of transportation the affidavit required by 33 section 28-3310 if the peace officer has arrested a person for the 34 commission of an offense for which, on conviction, suspension of the 35 license or privilege to operate a motor vehicle is required by section 36 28-3309, subsection A, B, C or D, or if the peace officer has confiscated a false identification document used by the person to gain access to 37 38 licensed premises.

T. A person who acts under a program of testing compliance with this title that is approved by the director is not in violation of section 41 4-244.

42 U. Law enforcement agencies may use persons who are under the legal 43 drinking age to test compliance with this section and section 4-244, 44 paragraph 9 by a licensee if the law enforcement agency has reasonable 45 suspicion that the licensee is violating this section or section 4-244, paragraph 9. A person who is under the legal drinking age and who purchases or attempts to purchase spirituous liquor under the direction of a law enforcement agency pursuant to this subsection is immune from prosecution for that purchase or attempted purchase. Law enforcement agencies may use a person under the legal drinking age pursuant to this subsection only if:

7 1. The person is at least fifteen but not more than nineteen years 8 of age.

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2. The person is not employed on an incentive or quota basis.

10 3. The person's appearance is that of a person who is under the 11 legal drinking age.

12 A photograph of the person is taken $\pi\sigma$ NOT more than twelve 4. 13 hours before the purchase or attempted purchase. The photograph shall accurately depict the person's appearance and attire. 14 A licensee or an employee of a licensee who is cited for selling spirituous liquor to a 15 16 person under the legal drinking age pursuant to this subsection is allowed 17 to inspect the photograph immediately after the citation is issued. The 18 person's appearance at any trial or administrative hearing that results 19 from a citation shall not be substantially different from the person's 20 appearance at the time the citation was issued.

5. The person places, receives and pays for the person's order of spirituous liquor. An adult shall not accompany the person onto the premises of the licensee.

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6. The person does not consume any spirituous liquor.

25 V. The department may adopt rules to carry out the purposes of this 26 section.

27 In lieu of or in addition to the procedures prescribed in Ψ. subsection A of this section, a licensee, an employee of the licensee or 28 29 any other person who questions or has reason to question that WHETHER the person ordering, purchasing, attempting to purchase or otherwise procuring 30 31 or attempting to procure the serving or delivery of spirituous liquor or entering a portion of a licensed premises when the primary use is the sale 32 33 or service of spirituous liquor is under the legal drinking age, the licensee, employee of the licensee or other person may use a biometric 34 35 identity verification device to determine the person's age. In any 36 instance where the device indicates the person is under the legal drinking 37 age, the attempted purchase, procurement or entry shall be denied.

38 Sec. 8. Section 4-243, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 39 read:

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4-243. <u>Commercial coercion or bribery unlawful; exceptions</u>

A. It is unlawful for a person engaged in the business of distiller, vintner, brewer, rectifier or blender or any other producer or wholesaler of any spirituous liquor, directly or indirectly, or through an affiliate: 21

1 1. To require that a retailer purchase spirituous liquor from the 2 producer or wholesaler to the exclusion, in whole or in part, of 3 spirituous liquor sold or offered for sale by other persons.

2. To induce a retailer by any form of commercial bribery to purchase spirituous liquor from the producer or wholesaler to the exclusion, in whole or in part, of spirituous liquor sold or offered for sale by other persons.

8 3. To acquire an interest in property owned, occupied or used by 9 the retailer in the retailer's business, or in a license with respect to 10 the premises of the retailer.

4. To furnish, give, rent, lend or sell to the retailer equipment, fixtures, signs, supplies, money, services or other things of value, subject to the exception as the rules adopted pursuant to this title may prescribe, having regard for established trade customs and the purposes of this subsection.

16 5. To pay or credit the retailer for advertising, display or 17 distribution service, except that the director may adopt rules regarding 18 advertising in conjunction with seasonal sporting events.

19 6. To guarantee a loan or repayment of a financial obligation of 20 the retailer.

7. To extend credit to the retailer on a sale of spirituous liquor.

8. To require the retailer to take and dispose of a certain quotaof spirituous liquor.

9. To offer or give a bonus, a premium or compensation to the retailer or any of the retailer's officers, employees or representatives.

B. This section does not prohibit any distiller, vintner, brewer,
 rectifier, blender or other producer or wholesaler of any spirituous
 liquor from:

29 1. Giving financial and other forms of event sponsorship assistance 30 to nonprofit or charitable organizations for purposes of charitable 31 fundraising that are issued special event licenses by the department. 32 This section does not prohibit suppliers from advertising their 33 sponsorship at such special events.

Providing samples to retail consumers at on-sale premises
 establishments according to the following procedures:

36 (a) Sampling operations shall be conducted under the supervision of 37 an employee of the sponsoring producer or wholesaler.

(b) Sampling shall be limited to sixteen ounces of beer or cooler
 products, six ounces of wine or two ounces of distilled spirits per person
 per brand.

41 (c) If requesting the on-sale retailer to prepare a drink for the 42 consumer, the producer's or wholesaler's representative shall pay the 43 retailer for the sample drink. 1 (d) The producer or wholesaler may not buy the on-sale retailer or 2 the retailer's employees a drink during their working hours or while they 3 are engaged in waiting on or serving customers.

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4 (e) The producer or wholesaler may not give a keg of beer or any spirituous liquor or any other gifts or benefits to the on-sale retailer.

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(f) All sampling procedures shall comply with federal sampling laws and regulations.

8 3. Providing samples to retail consumers on an off-sale retailer's 9 premises according to the following procedures:

(a) Sampling shall be conducted by an employee of the sponsoring 10 11 producer or wholesaler.

(b) The producer or wholesaler shall notify the department in 12 13 writing or by electronic means at least five days before the sampling of the date, time and location of the sampling and of the name of the 14 15 wholesaler or producer distributing the product.

16 (c) Sampling is limited to three ounces of beer, one and one-half 17 ounces of wine or one ounce of distilled spirits per person per day for 18 consumption on the premises and up to seventy-two ounces of beer and two ounces of distilled spirits per person per day for consumption off the 19 20 premises.

21 (d) An off-sale retailer shall not allow sampling to be conducted 22 on a licensed premises on more than twelve days in any calendar year per 23 wholesaler or producer.

24 (e) Sampling shall be limited to two wholesalers or producers at 25 any one off-sale retailer's premises on any day and shall not exceed three 26 hours on any day per approved sampling.

27 (f) A producer conducting sampling shall buy the sampled product 28 from a wholesaler or from the retailer where the sampling is being 29 conducted. If the product for the sampling is purchased from the retailer, the amount paid for the product must be the same amount that the 30 31 retailer charges for sale to the general public.

32 (g) The producer or wholesaler shall not provide samples to any 33 person who is under the legal drinking age.

34 (h) The producer or wholesaler shall designate an area in which 35 sampling is conducted that is in the portion of the licensed premises 36 where spirituous liquor is primarily displayed and separated from the remainder of the off-sale retailer's premises by a wall, rope, door, 37 cable, cord, chain, fence or other barrier. The producer or wholesaler 38 shall not allow persons under the legal drinking age from entering the 39 40 area in which sampling is conducted. If the retail location has been 41 issued a permanent sampling privilege from the department, the requirement 42 for separation from the remainder of the premises by wall, rope, door, 43 cable, cord, chain, fence or other barrier is not required.

44 (i) The producer or wholesaler may not provide samples to the 45 retailer or the retailer's employees.

1 (j) Sampling shall not be conducted in retail premises with a total 2 of under five thousand square feet of retail space unless at least 3 seventy-five percent of the retailer's shelf space is dedicated to the 4 sale of spirituous liquor.

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(k) The producer or wholesaler may not give spirituous liquor or 6 any other gifts or benefits to the off-sale retailer.

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(1) All sampling procedures shall comply with federal sampling laws 8 and regulations.

9 C. Notwithstanding subsection A, paragraph 4 of this section, any wholesaler of any spirituous liquor may sell tobacco products 10 or 11 foodstuffs to a retailer at a price not less than the cost to the 12 wholesaler.

13 D. Notwithstanding subsection A, paragraph 4, and subsection B, paragraph 2, subdivision (e) of this section, any wholesaler may furnish 14 without cost promotional items to an on-sale retailer, except that the 15 16 total market value of the promotional items furnished by that wholesaler 17 to that retailer in any calendar year shall not exceed \$500 \$700. For the 18 purposes of this subsection, "promotional items" means items of equipment, supplies, novelties or other advertising specialties that conspicuously 19 20 display the brand name of a spirituous liquor product. Promotional items 21 do not include signs, or dispensing or tapping machines or equipment OR 22 **REFRIGERATORS.**

E. Notwithstanding subsection A, paragraphs 4 and 7 of this 23 24 section, a wholesaler may in the wholesaler's sole discretion accept the 25 return of malt beverage products from a retailer under any of the 26 following conditions:

27 1. The retailer's licensed premises will be closed for business for 28 thirty or more consecutive days, and the products are likely to spoil or 29 expire during the business closing period.

30 2. The retailer's licensed premises is used primarily as a music or 31 live sporting venue with a permanent occupancy of more than one thousand 32 people, and the products are likely to spoil or expire during the time 33 period between venue events.

34 3. The retailer holds a governmental entity license and conducts 35 less than six events per year at which products are sold, and the products 36 are likely to spoil or expire during the time period between events.

37 F. It is unlawful for a retailer to request or knowingly receive anything of value that a distiller, vintner, brewer, rectifier or blender 38 or any other producer or wholesaler is prohibited by subsection A, D or E 39 40 of this section from furnishing to a retailer, except that this subsection 41 does not prohibit special discounts provided to retailers and based on 42 quantity purchases.

1	Sec. 9. Section 4-244.04, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
2	read:
3	4-244.04. <u>Craft producer sampling</u>
4	Notwithstanding section 4–244, paragraphs 13 and 19, a
5	representative of a licensed farm winery CRAFT PRODUCER may consume small
6	amounts and may serve the products of the licensed farm winery CRAFT
7	PRODUCER on the premises of an off-sale retailer or a retailer with
8	off-sale privileges for the purpose of sampling the products of the farm
9	winery CRAFT PRODUCER. The licensee of the farm winery CRAFT PRODUCER is
10	liable for any violations of this title committed in connection with such
11	sampling. The director shall regulate the manner of conducting such
12	samplings to prevent abusive practices. The licensed retailer shall make
13	sales of farm winery CRAFT PRODUCER products from the licensed retail
13 14	premises.
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15 16	Sec. 10. Section 42-3355, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:
17	42-3355. <u>Return and payment by farm wineries, manufacturers,</u>
18	direct shipment licensees. microbreweries and
19	<u>craft distillers</u>
20	A. Every A farm winery selling vinous liquor at retail or to a
21	retail licensee pursuant to title 4, chapter 2 THAT IS manufactured or
22	produced on the premises, A producer of vinous liquor that sells at retail
23	pursuant to section 4-243.02 or A direct shipment licensee that sells
24	pursuant to section 4-203.04 shall pay the tax under this chapter on all
25	such liquor sold at retail or to a retail licensee within this state and
26	add the amount of the tax to the sales price.
27	B. Every A microbrewery selling malt liquor at retail or to a
28	retail licensee pursuant to title 4, chapter 2 THAT IS manufactured or
29	produced on the premises or a manufacturer of beer that sells at retail
30	pursuant to section 4–243.02 shall pay the tax under this chapter on all
31	malt liquor sold at retail or to a retail licensee within this state and
32	add the amount of the tax to the sales price.
33	C. Every A craft distiller selling spirituous liquor at retail or
34	to a retail licensee pursuant to title 4, chapter 2 , THAT IS manufactured
35	or produced on the premises or a distiller of spirituous liquor that sells
36	at retail pursuant to section 4–243.02 shall pay the tax under this
37	chapter on all spirituous liquor sold at retail or to a retail licensee
38	within this state and add the amount of the tax to the sales price.
39	D. The farm winery, manufacturer, microbrewery, craft distiller or
40	direct shipment licensee shall pay the tax to the department monthly
41	ANNUALLY on or before the twentieth day of the FIRST month mext OF THE
42	YEAR succeeding the month YEAR in which the tax accrues.

1 E. On or before that date, the farm winery, manufacturer, 2 microbrewery, craft distiller or direct shipment licensee shall prepare a 3 sworn return for the month YEAR in which the tax accrues in the form 4 prescribed by the department, showing:

5 1. The amount of liquors or beer sold in this state during the 6 month YEAR in which the tax accrues.

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2. The amount of tax for the period covered by the return.

8 3. Any other information that the department deems necessary for 9 the proper administration of this chapter.

F. The farm winery, manufacturer, microbrewery, craft distiller or 10 11 direct shipment licensee shall deliver the return, together with a 12 remittance of the amount of the tax due, to the department.

13 G. Any taxpayer that fails to pay the tax within ten days after the date on which the payment becomes due is subject to and shall pay a 14 penalty determined under section 42-1125, plus interest at the rate 15 16 determined pursuant to section 42-1123 from the time the tax was due and 17 payable until paid.

18 H. For reporting periods beginning from and after December 31, 19 2019, or when the department has established an electronic filing program, 20 whichever is later, each taxpayer shall file electronically any report or 21 return required under this chapter. The report or return is considered to 22 be filed and received by the department on the date of the electronic 23 postmark pursuant to section 42-1105.02.

24 Sec. 11. <u>Applicability</u>

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Section 42-3355, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by this act, 26 applies to taxable periods beginning from and after December 31, 2023.