

SENATE BILL No. 1351

May 28, 2008, Introduced by Senators HUNTER, ALLEN, BARCIA, GILBERT and CLARKE and referred to the Committee on Economic Development and Regulatory Reform.

A bill to amend 1998 PA 58, entitled
"Michigan liquor control code of 1998,"
(MCL 436.1101 to 436.2303) by adding section 526.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 SEC. 526. (1) THE COMMISSION MAY ISSUE A SPECIAL LICENSE UNDER
2 THIS SECTION TO ANY ORGANIZATION CONDUCTING A BEER FESTIVAL. THE
3 APPLICATION SHALL CONFORM TO THE FOLLOWING:

4 (A) BE SUBMITTED BY A NONPROFIT ENTITY COMPOSED PRIMARILY OF
5 BREWERS, MICROBREWERS, AND BREWPUBS, AS DETERMINED BY THE
6 COMMISSION.

7 (B) INVOLVE AN EVENT HAVING FOR ITS PRIMARY PURPOSE THE
8 SHOWCASING OF BEER AND ITS PRODUCTION.

9 (C) BE ACCOMPANIED BY A FEE OF \$25.00 PER EVENT.

10 (2) THE SPECIAL LICENSE SHALL NOT ALLOW MORE THAN 12 EVENTS

1 PER CALENDAR YEAR CONFORMING TO THE PRESCRIPTIONS OF SUBSECTION
2 (1) .

3 (3) A HOLDER OF A SPECIAL LICENSE ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION
4 MAY BUY A QUANTITY OF BEER, AS DETERMINED APPROPRIATE UNDER THE
5 CIRCUMSTANCES BY THE COMMISSION, DIRECTLY FROM ANY LICENSED
6 BREWPUB, MICROBREWER, OR BREWER FOR CONSUMPTION ONLY AT THE
7 LICENSED EVENT.

8 (4) AS USED IN THIS SECTION AND SECTION 413, "BEER FESTIVAL"
9 MEANS AN EVENT AT WHICH THE VARIOUS TYPES AND KINDS OF BEER AND THE
10 PRODUCTION OF THAT BEER ARE SHOWCASED TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC AND AT
11 WHICH THE GENERAL PUBLIC CAN PURCHASE AND SAMPLE THE BEER BEING
12 SHOWCASED FOR CONSUMPTION ON THE LICENSED PREMISES.

13 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
14 unless Senate Bill No. 1352

15 of the 94th Legislature is enacted into law.