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2007 – 2008 LEGISLATURE

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PRELIMINARY DRAFT - NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

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AN ACT ...; relating to: creating a brew pub permit authorizing the manufacture and sale at wholesale of fermented malt beverages, and authorizing other brew pub interests and operations.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, alcohol beverages are generally distributed to consumers under a three-tier distribution system: the manufacturer may sell only to a wholesaler or rectifier; the wholesaler or rectifier may sell only to a wholesaler or to a retailer; the retailer may sell only to the consumer. With specific exceptions, no person may sell outside the three-tier system and no person may sell alcohol beverages at retail unless the person possesses a license or permit authorizing the sale on the premises where sold.

Under current law, a brewer of fermented malt beverages (beer) must hold a permit issued by the Department of Revenue (DOR). A brewer's permit authorizes the brewer to manufacture, possess, and store beer on the brewery premises. A beer wholesaler's license, issued by a municipality, authorizes the license holder to sell to retailers or wholesalers beer in original packages that may not be consumed on or about the wholesaler's premises. A brewer may hold a wholesaler's license and may own, maintain, and operate a warehouse for which the brewer holds a wholesaler's license. The brewer may transport beer between the brewery premises and the brewer's warehouse. The brewer may sell beer at wholesale to beer retailers and beer wholesalers if the brewer holds a wholesaler's license. With various limitations discussed below, the brewer may sell beer at retail if the brewer holds a retailer's license. A brewer may also hold a limited intoxicating liquor wholesaler's permit, for wine only.

Under current law, a brewer may hold a Class "A" retail license, which authorizes the retail sale of beer in original packages for consumption off the licensed premises, but, with exceptions, may not hold a Class "B" license, which authorizes the retail sale of beer for consumption on or off the premises where sold. One exception allows a brewer to maintain and operate, and hold a Class "B" license for. one retail premises on brewery premises and one retail premises on property owned by the brewer or its subsidiary or affiliate. Under another exception, in addition to these two Class "B" licenses, a brewer may possess a Class "B" license for not more than four restaurants in which the sale of alcohol beverages accounts for less than 50 percent of gross receipts if the brewer is a "small brewer" (generally one that manufactures less than 4,000 barrels of beer annually), the restaurant also sells other brewers' beer, and the brewer's own beer is purchased by the restaurant from an independent wholesaler. A brewer may hold both a wholesaler's license and Class "B" license but, with an exception for grandfathered licenses, may not hold both a wholesaler's license and a Class "A" license. A "Class B" license authorizes the retail sale of intoxicating liquor for consumption on or off the licensed premises, which authorization is subject to certain limitations, some of which depend on whether the issuing municipality has adopted an ordinance related to "Class B" licenses. A "Class C" license authorizes the retail sale of wine by the glass or in an opened original container for consumption on the licensed premises and may only be issued for a restaurant. Because a "Class B" license may only be issued to the holder of a Class "B" license, a brewer is limited in the number of "Class B" licenses it may hold.

Also under current law, beer may not be sold, transported, or delivered to a Class "A" Ticensee or Class "B" licensee unless the beer is first unloaded at and distributed from a licensed beer wholesaler's warehouse, which generally must be at a location that is physically separate from any retail premises or brewery premises. However, there are a number of exceptions to this prohibition, including exceptions that apply to certain brewers that hold wholesale and retail licenses or that manufacture 50,000 barrels of beer or less annually. Also under current law, deliveries of beer to retailers may be made only by licensed wholesalers and must be made to retailers only at their retail premises. No retailer may transport beer from permises. one retail premises to another retail premises to sell it unless both retail premises are operated by a brower Current law also requires, with limited exceptions, that beer wholesalers enter into written agreements with brewers supplying beer brands that grant to the wholesalers distribution rights within exclusive designated sales territories in order for the beer to be distributed, and further imposes requirements on the termination of these agreements. A brewer, in providing beer to its own retail premises, is not subject to restrictions on the sale, transportation, and delivery of beer generally applicable to wholesalers and retailers.

Current law also provides for the issuance of alcohol beverage warehouse permits that authorize the holder to store and warehouse alcohol beverages in warehouse premises covered by the permit, but does not authorize sales of alcohol

This bill creates a brew pub permit issued by DOR. A brewer is eligible to obtain a brew pub permit if all of the following apply:

√1. The brewer manufactures not more than 10,000 barrels of beer each year.

√2. The brewer's entire beer manufacturing process occurs on the brew pub

premises.

√3. The brewer operates a restaurant on the brew pub premises in which the sale of alcohol beverages accounts for less than 50 percent of the restaurant's gross receipts.

√4. The brewer holds a Class "B" license for the restaurant and offers for sale in the restaurant, in addition to its own beer, beer manufactured by other brewers.

√5. The brewer holds a business tax registration certificate issued by DOR.

16. The brewer does not hold or have an interest in a Class "A" license, a beer wholesaler's license, or a brewer's permit, and does not hold or have an interest in a Class "B", or "Class C" license other than one for the brew pub premises.

If an applicant for a brew pub permit has no current operations, the applicant can certify that the applicant will comply with these requirements prior to or upon commencing operations under the brew pub permit. If an applicant for a brew pub permit holds a brewer's permit, wholesale license, or any other prohibited license or permit at the time of the application, the applicant may certify that the applicant will surrender any such license or permit upon issuance of the brew pub permit.

A brew pub permit authorizes a brewer to do all of the following:

√1. Manufacture beer on the brew pub premises, up to 10,000 barrels each year for all brew pub premises, if the entire manufacturing process occurs on these premises.

√2. Bottle on brew pub premises beer that has been manufactured on these

premises, and possess and store on brew pub premises any beer.

√3. Own, maintain, and operate warehouses for which alcohol beverages warehouse permits have been issued, and possess and store any beer on these warehouse premises.

√4. Transport beer that has been manufactured on the brew pub premises between these premises and any other brew pub premises, brew pub warehouse, or brew pub Class "B" premises, and transport other beer only to or from the brew pub's warehouse.

√5. Sell at wholesale, ship, transport, and deliver to wholesalers, from the brew pub premises, beer manufactured on these premises or on other brew pub premises.

√ 6. Sell at wholesale, ship, transport, and deliver to retailers, from the brew pub premises, beer manufactured on these premises or on other brew pub premises, but only up to 1,000 barrels of beer each year, not including beer provided to the brew pub's own retail premises.

√7. Sell alcohol beverages at retail on the brew pub premises in accordance with the terms of any Class "B" Class B Jor "Class C" license held by the brew pub.

A brew pub may not hold more than six permits for brew pub locations. A brew pub may only hold Class "B", "Class B", and "Class C" licenses for restaurants on brew pub premises. A brew pub may hold a limited intoxicating liquor wholesaler's permit, for wine only.

Like the holder of a brewer's permit, a brew pub, in providing beer to its own retail premises, is not subject to restrictions on the sale, transportation, and delivery

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of beer generally applicable to wholesalers and retailers. However, a brew pub does not hold a wholesaler's license and may maintain wholesale operations, including the sale, transportation, and delivery to retailers if otherwise authorized, from its brew pub premises. To distribute its beer through licensed beer wholesalers, a brew pub must enter into written agreements with the wholesalers for each brew pub brand distributed providing exclusive designated sales territories to the wholesalers for these brands.

The bill also repeals the authorization for a small brewer to possess a Class "B" \(\sqrt{license} \) license for not more than four restaurants in which the sale of alcohol beverages accounts for less than 50 percent of the restaurant's gross receipts.

For further information see the *state and local* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 125.02 (2m) (intro.) of the statutes is created to read:

125.02 (2m) (intro.) "Brewer group" means a brewer, including all premises for which the brewer holds a permit issued under s. 125.29 or 125.295, together with all of the following:

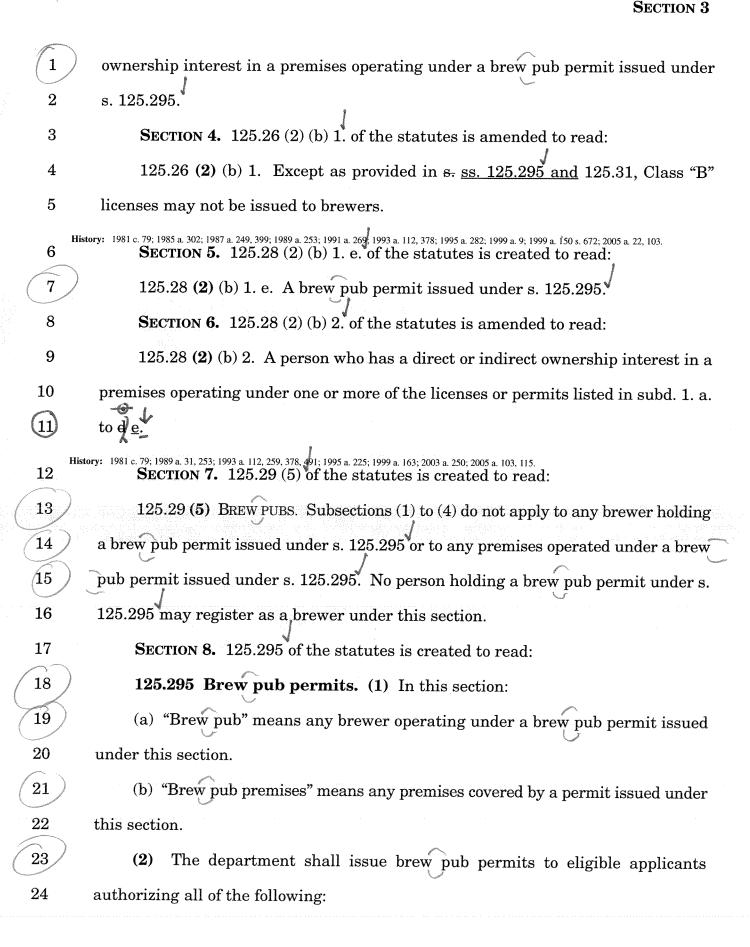
SECTION 2. 125.10 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

125.10 (4) REGULATION OF CLOSED RETAIL PREMISES. A municipality may not prohibit the permittee, licensee, employees, salespersons, employees of wholesalers licensed under s. 125.28 (1) or 125.54 (1); employees of permittees under s. 125.295 with respect to the permittee's own retail premises; or service personnel from being present on premises operated under a Class "A", "Class A" or "Class C" license or under a Class "B" or "Class B" license or permit during hours when the premises are not open for business if those persons are performing job-related activities.

History: 1981 c. 79, 202; 1983 a. 74 ss. 19, 32; 1985 a. 28 ss. 5, 9; 1987 a. 168; 1989 a. 31, 253; 1991 a. 39; 1993 a. 208.

SECTION 3. 125.25 (2) (b) 5. of the statutes is created to read:

125.25 (2) (b) 5. A Class "A" license may not be issued to a person holding a brew pub permit issued under s. 125.295 or to a person who has a direct or indirect



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- 1 (a) The manufacture of fermented malt beverages on the brew pub premises if the entire manufacturing process occurs on these premises and not more than 2 10,000 barrels of fermented malt beverages are manufactured in a calendar year by 3 4 the permittee's brewer group. 5 (b) The bottling on brew pub premises of fermented malt beverages that have 6 been manufactured on these premises. 7 (c) The possession and storage of any fermented malt beverages on brew pub 8 premises.
 - (d) The ownership, maintenance, and operation of warehouses for each of which an alcohol beverages warehouse permit has been issued under s. 125.19 and the possession and storage of any fermented malt beverages on these warehouse premises.
 - (e) 1. The transportation of fermented malt beverages that have been manufactured on the brew pub premises between these premises and any other brew pub premises, warehouse premises, or Class "B" premises of the brew pub. A brew pub may transport beer not manufactured by the brew pub to or from a warehouse premises of the brew pub but not to another brew pub premises or Class "B" premises of the brew pub.
 - 2. This paragraph does not authorize a brew pub to transport any fermented malt beverages to any location unless the brew pub manufactured the fermented malt beverages on one of its brew pub premises or the brew pub received delivery of the fermented malt beverages from a licensed wholesaler at the brew pub's Class "B" premises.
 - (f) Subject to s. 125.34 (3) and (4), the sale at wholesale, shipment, transportation, and delivery, in original unopened packages or containers, to

| 1 | wholesalers, from the brew pub premises, of fermented malt beverages that have |
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| 2 | been manufactured on these premises or on other brew pub premises of the brew pub. |
| 3 | (g) The sale at wholesale, shipment, transportation, and delivery, in original |
| 4 | unopened packages or containers, to retailers, from the brew pub premises, of |
| 5 | fermented malt beverages that have been manufactured on these premises or on |
| 6 | other brew pub premises of the brew pub. A brew pub's brewer group may not sell, |
| 7 | ship, transport, or deliver more than a total of 1,000 barrels of fermented malt |
| 8 | beverages in any calendar year to retailers under this paragraph. Fermented malt |
| 9 | beverages provided by a brew pub to any retail premises for which the brew pub holds |
| 10 | the retail license shall not be included in any calculation of the 1,000 barrel |
| 11 | limitation under this paragraph. Deliveries and shipments of fermented malt |
| 12 | beverages by a brew pub under this paragraph shall be made to retailers only at their |
| 13 | retail premises. |
| 14) | (h) The sale of alcohol beverages at retail on the brew pub premises in |
| 15 | accordance with the terms of any retail license specified in subs. (3) (a) 4. and (4) (b) |
| 16 | and (c). |
| 17 | (i) Notwithstanding s. 125.33 (1), the ownership, maintenance, and operation |
| 18 | of places for the sale of fermented malt beverages at the state fair park or on any |
| 19 | county fairgrounds located in this state if the fermented malt beverages have been |
| 20) | manufactured by the brew pub. |
| 21 | (3) (a) An applicant is eligible for a brew pub permit only if all of the following |
| 22 | apply: |
| 23 | 1. The applicant's brewer group manufactures a total of not more than 10,000 |

barrels of fermented malt beverages in a calendar year.

| 1 | 2. The applicant's entire process for manufacturing fermented malt beverages |
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| 2 | under the permit occurs on the premises for which the permit is issued. |
| 3 | 3. The applicant operates a restaurant on the premises for which the permit |
| 4 | is issued, for which a restaurant permit is issued under s. 254.64 and in which the |
| 5 | sale of alcohol beverages accounts for less than 50 percent of the gross receipts of all |
| 6 | of the food and beverages served in the restaurant on a calendar year basis. |
| 7 | 4. The applicant holds a Class "B" license for the restaurant identified in subd. |
| 8 | 3. and, on these Class "B" premises, offers for sale, in addition to fermented malt |
| 9 | beverages manufactured by the applicant, fermented malt beverages manufactured |
| 10 | by a brewer other than the applicant and its brewer group. |
| 11 | 5. The applicant holds a valid certificate issued under s. 73.03 (50). |
| 12 | 6. Neither the applicant nor the applicant's brewer group holds, or has a direct |
| 13 | or indirect ownership interest in a premises operating under, any of the following: |
| 14 | a. A Class "A" license issued under s. 125.25. |
| 15 | b. Except as provided in subd. 4. and subs. (2) (h) and (4) (b), a Class "B" license |
| 16 | issued under s. 125.26. |
| 17 | c. A wholesaler's license issued under s. 125.28. |
| 18 | d. A brewer's permit issued under s. 125.29. |
| 19 | e. Except as provided in subs. (2) (h) and (4) (c), a "Class B" license or permit |
| 20 | or "Class C" license issued under s. 125.51. |
| 21 | (b) If an applicant under par. (a) has no current operations, the applicant may |
| 22 | certify that the applicant has applied for or will apply for a Class "B" license or |
| 23 | restaurant permit or will comply with any other requirement under par. (a), prior to |
| 24 | or upon commencing operations authorized under this section. If a Class "B" license |
| 25 | or restaurant permit is not subsequently issued to the applicant, or if the applicant |

otherwise fails to comply with any requirement for eligibility under par. (a), the department may revoke under s. 125.12 (5) the permit issued under this section.

- (c) If an applicant under par. (a) holds any license or permit prohibited under par. (a) 6. at the time of its application, the applicant may certify that the applicant will surrender any such license or permit upon issuance of a permit under this section. If the department issues a permit under this section and the applicant fails to surrender any license or permit prohibited under par. (a) 6., the department may revoke under s. 125.12 (5) the permit issued under this section. An applicant is not required to surrender any Class "B" license issued under s. 125.31 (1) (a) 2. or under s. 125.31 (1) (a) 3., 2005 stats., if the applicant's continued possession of the license is consistent with subs. (2) (h), (3) (a) 4., and (4) (b) and (c).
- (4) (a) No brewer group may hold more than 6 brew pub permits issued under this section.
- (b) A brew pub may not hold any Class "B" license other than one issued for a restaurant on the brew pub premises. Notwithstanding s. 125.26 (2) (a), each Class "B" license shall be issued for the brew pub's restaurant in the same name as the permittee under this section. Notwithstanding s. 125.33 (1), a brew pub may own the furniture, fixtures, fittings, furnishings, and equipment on the Class "B" premises and shall pay any license fee or tax required for the operation of the premises.
- (c) Subject to the requirements specified in s. 125.51 (3) and (3m), a brew pub may also hold "Class B" licenses and "Class C" licenses, but only for restaurants on brew pub premisees. A brew pub shall purchase all intoxicating liquor from an intoxicating liquor wholesaler that has no direct or indirect ownership interest in the brew pub and in which the brew pub has no direct or indirect ownership interest.

SECTION 8

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| 1 | (5) Except as provided in ss. 125.29, 125.31, and 125.34 and as otherwise |
| 2 | specifically provided in this chapter, all provisions of this chapter applying to |
| (3) | brewers apply to brewers holding brew pub permits issued under this section. |
| 4 | (6) The fee established by the department for a brew pub permit shall not |
| 5 | exceed the fee established by the department for a permit under s. 125.29. |
| 6 | SECTION 9. 125.31 (1) (a) 1. of the statutes is repealed. |
| 7 | SECTION 10. 125.31 (1) (a) 1. a. to e. of the statutes are renumbered 125.02 (2m) |
| 8 | (a) to (e). |
| 9 | SECTION 11. 125.31 (1) (a) 2. of the statutes is amended to read: |
| 10 | 125.31 (1) (a) 2. Notwithstanding ss. 125.29 (2) and 125.33 (1), a brewer may |
| 11 | maintain and operate one place on brewery premises and one place on real estate |
| 12 | owned by the brewer or a subsidiary or affiliate corporation or limited liability |
| 13 | company for the sale of fermented malt beverages for which a Class "B" license is |
| 14 | required for each place, but, except as provided in subds. 3. and subd. 4., not more |
| 15 | than 2 such Class "B" licenses shall be issued to any brewer. |
| 16 | SECTION 12. 125.31 (1) (a) 3. of the statutes is repealed. |
| 17 | SECTION 13. 125.31 (1) (a) 4. of the statutes is amended to read: |
| 18 | 125.31 (1) (a) 4. Notwithstanding ss. 125.29 (2) and 125.33 (1), in addition to |
| 19 | places authorized under subd. 2., a brewer may possess or hold an indirect interest |
| 20 | in a Class "B" license for not more than 20 restaurants in each of which the sale of |
| 21 | alcohol beverages accounts for less than 60% of the restaurant's gross receipts if no |
| 22 | fermented malt beverages manufactured by the brewer are offered for sale in any of |

- these restaurants. No brewer may possess Class "B" licenses under both this subdivision and subd. 3.
- History: 1981 c. 79; 1989 a. 253; 1991 a. 32; 1993 a. 112, 213, 215, 491; 1999 a. 163; 2001 a. 16; 2005 a. 103.

 SECTION 14. 125.31 (4) of the statutes is created to read:

125.31 (4) This section does not apply to any brewer holding a brew pub permit issued under s. 125.295 or to any premises operated under a brew pub permit issued under s. 125.295.

SECTION 15. 125.33 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

125.33 (1) (a) Except as provided in this section and s. ss. 125.295 and 125.31, no brewer or wholesaler may furnish, give, lend, lease or sell any furniture, fixtures, fittings, equipment, money or other thing of value to any campus or Class "B" licensee or permittee, or to any person for the use, benefit or relief of any campus or Class "B" licensee or permittee, or guarantee the repayment of any loan or the fulfillment of any financial obligation of any campus or Class "B" licensee or permittee. Such actions may not be taken by the brewer or wholesaler directly or indirectly, or through a subsidiary or affiliate corporation or limited liability company, or by any officer, director, stockholder, partner or member thereof.

SECTION 16. 125.33 (9) of the statutes is amended to read:

as provided in s. 125.295 (2) (g) and 125.34 (6) (b), no campus or retail licensee or permittee may purchase or possess fermented malt beverages purchased from any person other than a wholesaler holding a license under this chapter for the sale of fermented malt beverages. Any person who violates this subsection may be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned for not more than 9 months or both.

History: 1981 c. 79, 202; 1983 a. 26, 67, 68, 182, 192, 538; 1985 a. 15, 135; 1987 a. 308; 1989 a. 31, 253; 1991 a. 39; 1993 a. 112, 301; 1995 a. 320; 1997 a. 132, 166; 2001 a. 16, 38, 105; 2003 a. 303; 2005 a. 103.

SECTION 17. 125.34 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

1 125.34 (1) (b) "Brewer" means a permittee under s. 125.29 but,
2 notwithstanding s. 125.02 (2), does not include a permittee under s. 125.295.

3 SECTION 18. 125.34 (1) (bm) of the statutes is created to read:

125.34 (1) (bm) "Brew pub" means a permittee under s. 125.295.

SECTION 19. 125.34(1)(c) of the statutes is amended to read:

125.34 (1) (c) "Designated sales territory" means the geographical area identified in a written agreement between a wholesaler and a brewer, brew pub, or out-of-state shipper under which the wholesaler is authorized to distribute one or more brands of fermented malt beverages supplied by the brewer, brew pub, or out-of-state shipper.

History: 2005 a. 103, 115.

SECTION 20. 125.34 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

125.34 (2) (a) No Except as provided in sub. (6) (b) and s. 125.295 (2) (e) and (g), no fermented malt beverages may be sold, transported, or delivered to a retailer unless, prior to such sale, transport, or delivery, the fermented malt beverages are first unloaded at and distributed from a wholesaler's warehouse premises covered by both a wholesaler's license issued under s. 125.28 and an alcohol beverage warehouse permit issued under s. 125.19, which premises shall be in this state and shall be a physically separate location from any retail premises or brewery premises. This paragraph does not apply to a wholesaler issued a wholesaler's license under s. 125.28 (1) (b) with respect to fermented malt beverages transported and delivered from a warehouse in an adjoining state unless the wholesaler's warehouse in the adjoining state is located on premises in the adjoining state used for the manufacture of fermented malt beverages.

History: 2005 a. 103, 115. **SECTION 21.** 125.34 (2) (bg) of the statutes is amended to read:

| 125.34 (2) (bg) Notwithstanding par. (a), a brewer that, together with the |
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| fermented malt beverages manufactured during the same year by all producers |
| identified in s. 125.31 (1) (a) 1. a. to e. its brewer group, manufactures not more than |
| 50,000 barrels of fermented malt beverages in a calendar year in any location may |
| be issued a wholesaler's license for wholesale premises located on brewery premises. |
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History: 2005 a. 103, 115. **SECTION 22.** 125.34 (2) (bm) of the statutes is amended to read:

125.34 (2) (bm) Notwithstanding par. (a), a brewer that, together with the fermented malt beverages manufactured during the same year by all producers identified in s. 125.31 (1) (a) 1. a. to e. its brewer group, manufactures more than 50,000 barrels of fermented malt beverages in a calendar year in any location may be issued a wholesaler's license for wholesale premises located on brewery premises but may not sell or ship more than a total of 1,000 barrels of fermented malt beverages in any calendar year to retailers from these wholesale premises. Fermented malt beverages provided by a brewer to any retail premises for which the brewer holds the retail license shall not be included in any calculation of the 1,000 barrel limitation under this paragraph.

History: 2005 a. 103, 115. SECTION 23. 125.34 (3) (a) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

125.34 (3) (a) 1. Subject to subd. 3., a wholesaler may not sell, transport, or deliver any brand of fermented malt beverages unless the wholesaler has entered into a written agreement with the brewer, brew pub, or out-of-state shipper supplying the brand that grants to the wholesaler distribution rights for the brand and identifies the designated sales territory for which such distribution rights are

| 1 | ranted, including the precise geographical area comprising the designated sale |
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| 2 | erritory. |

3 SECTION 24. 125.34 (3) (a) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

125.34 (3) (a) 2. A brewer, brew pub, or out-of-state shipper may not, in any agreement under this paragraph, grant to more than one wholesaler distribution rights for the same brand in the same designated sales territory or in any part of the same designated sales territory.

History: 2005 a. 103, 115. **SECTION 25.** 125.34 (4) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

125.34 (4) (a) Any retailer located outside the wholesaler's designated sales territory for the brand. This paragraph does not apply if another wholesaler that has been granted distribution rights for the brand in the designated sales territory where the sale, transportation, or delivery occurs is unable to service this designated sales territory and the brewer, brew pub, or out-of-state shipper granting distribution rights has, notwithstanding sub. (3) (a), given consent for the sale, transportation, or delivery, which consent shall be limited to the time period that another wholesaler is unable to service this designated sales territory. This paragraph does not apply if the wholesaler is also a brewer and another wholesaler to whom this brewer has granted distribution rights for the brand in the designated sales territory where the sale, transportation, or delivery occurs has, notwithstanding sub. (3) (a), given consent for the sale, transportation, or delivery or refused to service this territory.

History: 2005 a 103, 115. **SECTION 26.** 125.34 (5) of the statutes is amended to *read*:

125.34 (5) Deliveries Except as provided in sub. (6) (b) and s. 125.295 (2) (e) and (g), deliveries of fermented malt beverages to retailers may be made only by wholesalers and shall be made to retailers only at their retail premises. No retailer

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| 1 | may transport fermented malt beverages from one retail premises to another retail |
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| 2 | premises for purposes of selling the fermented malt beverages at the other retail |
| 3 | premises unless both retail premises are operated by a brewer or brew pub holding |
| 4 | the retail licenses. |
| 5 | History: 2005 a. 103, 115. SECTION 27. 125.34 (6) (a) of the statutes is amended to read: |
| 6 | 125.34 (6) (a) Except as provided in pars. (b) and (c) and ss. 125.06 (1) and |
| 7 | 125.31 (1) and (3), a brewer or out-of-state shipper may sell, transport, and deliver |
| 8 | fermented malt beverages only to a wholesaler, which may be the brewer or |
| 9 | out-of-state shipper itself if, in its activities as a wholesaler, it complies with the |
| 10 | requirements under subs. (2) to (5). Except as provided in par. (b) and ss. 125.06 (1) |
| 11 | and 125.295 (2) (e), (g), and (h), a brew pub may sell, transport, and deliver fermented |
| 12 | malt beverages only to a wholesaler. |
| 13 | History: 2005 a. 103, 115. SECTION 28. 125.34 (6) (b) of the statutes is amended to read: |
| 14 | 125.34 (6) (b) A brewer or out-of-state shipper that holds a Class "A" license |
| 15 | or Class "B" license, and a brew pub that holds a Class "B" license, may sell fermented |
| 16 | malt beverages to persons other than licensees and permittees in accordance with |
| 17 | the terms of the license, the provisions of s. ss. 125.295 and 125.31, and the applicable |
| 18 | provisions of this chapter relating to retailers. Subsections (2) to (5) do not apply with |
| 19 | respect to fermented malt beverages provided by a brewer or brew pub to any retail |
| 20 | premises for which the brewer or brew pub holds the retail license. |
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| 22 | 125.54 (1) AUTHORIZED ACTIVITIES. The department shall issue wholesalers' |

permits authorizing the permittee to sell intoxicating liquor at wholesale from the

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SECTION 29

| 1 | permittee may not sell intoxicating liquor for consumption on the premises. If a |
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| 2 | wholesale permit is issued to a brewery, including a permittee under s. 125.295, that |
| 3 | holds a "Class B" license, the permit shall authorize the wholesale sale of wine only. |
| 4 | Possession of a permit under this section does not authorize the permittee to sell |

tax-free intoxicating liquor and wine brought into this state under s. 139.03 (5).

History: 1981 c. 79; 1985 a. 5; 1989 a. 253; 1993 a. 112, 259, 491; 1995 a. 27; 2005 a. 25.

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SECTION 31. Effective date.

(1) This act takes effect on the first day of the 3rd month beginning after publication.

(END)



DRAFTER'S NOTE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

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Please review the attached draft carefully to ensure that it is consistent with your intent. To accomplish the purposes of the draft, I have had to make certain decisions with respect to the drafting instructions, which may not be consistent with your expectations.

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Wednesday, March 07, 2007 8:34 AM

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Subject:

FW: Brewpub Bill - comments to drafter

Attachments: 2007 First Draft - Comments.doc

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Thanks, Terry!

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Comments/Answers/Questions on Brew Pub Draft - LRB-1983/P1dn

Global Comments

KEY GOAL - A key goal with this legislation is to create a "brew pub" entity that is completely separate and distinct in law from the "brewer" entity.

To the extent that the draft discusses "brew pub" as a "brewer who holds brew pub permit" we would like to eliminate such references – our goal is that a "brew pub" is in fact not a "brewer" and vice versa.

For example, the "brewer group" concept that describes commonly owned premises as a single entity – it would be better if there were one section for "brewer group" and one for "brew pub group." Even though both encompass the same concept, in this way there is no overlap between the terms.

Drafter Note – Para 2

Taking the "global comment" into account, we would like to ensure that 125.34(6) DOES NOT apply to "brew pubs."

<u>Drafter note – Para 3</u>

Amend 125.06(1)? Not necessary – no amend to this section.

Drafter Note – Para 4

Yes – we would like amended. In fact, we believe that <u>all</u> rules regarding the interaction between brewers/wholesalers and retailers should apply to the relationship between brew pubs and retailers (for purposes of the 1000 barrel self-distribution limit). This way, all entities acting in a wholesale or manufacturing capacity are treated equally with respect to interaction with retail.

Drafter Note – Para 5

Ok.

Drafter Note - Para 6

Brew pub hold intox. liquor wholesale permit? <u>NO.</u> We don't want to change current law with respect to "brewers" but do wish that "brew pubs" not be able to hold ANY wholesale license (beer, wine, liquor...).

Drafter Note - Para 7

Our intent is that "brew pub" purchase all alcohol other than the beer they actually brew from licensed wholesalers (beer, wine, liquor).

Draft - Page 6, Lines 12-13 - "Bottling"

We would like to rewrite this section authorizing "bottling." "Bottling" in the industry connotes a brewer packaging beer in 12 oz. bottles with "permanent" caps for sale as 6-packs or 12-packs, etc. This is not a function of a "brew pub."

Brew pubs more accurately offer large refillable "growlers" that are filled at a patron's request (not pre-packaged) and capping with a screw cap and heat-activated plastic seal over the cap.

Perhaps simply the following would be sufficient: "(b) The packaging on brewpub premises, at the request of a consumer, of fermented malt beverages that have been manufactured on these premises in refillable containers with a volume greater than 24 ounces."

In other words, if a one wishes to "bottle" (meaning package in 12 oz bottles for off-premise sales) then one is a brewer, not a brew pub.

<u>Draft – Page 6, Lines 16-19 – "warehouse"</u>

Our intent is that a "brew pub" be able to hold that permit, as well as applicable retail permits and a restaurant license – nothing else.

It is unnecessary for a brew pub to have a warehouse, therefore we do not wish to allow brew pubs to hold "alcohol beverage warehouse permits" issued under 125.19.

<u>Draft – Page 6, Lines 22-25 and Page 7, Lines 1-5 – transporting beer/alcohol</u>

Our intent is that a "brew pub" is allowed to transport its own beer among its own locations.

But, consistent with 125.34(5), we do not wish to allow a "brew pub" to move beer brewed by any other brewer, or wine/liquor among its retail locations – in this case, the "brew pub" must take delivery from appropriate wholesalers at the retail location where the product will be sold.

So, we would like to eliminate the 2nd sentence of (e)1. (page 6, line 22-25); and all of (e)2. (page 7, lines 1-5).

Draft – Page 7, line 20

For clarification (and consistency with 125.34(5)) we would like to add something like "from where the fermented malt beverages will be sold to consumers."

Draft - Page 16, line 9

We understand the need for a slightly delayed effective date – to give DOR a bit of time to implement the changes – but we would like to change the effective date to the first day of the 1^{st} month after publication.

Gary, Aaron

From: Tuschen, Terry

Sent: Monday, March 12, 2007 11:14 AM

To: Gary, Aaron

Cc: 'Michael Welsh'; Risser, Fred

Subject: RE: Brewpub Bill - comments to drafter

Hi Aaron, thank you for the comments. I'll get back to you on this.

Thanks. Terry

From: Gary, Aaron

Sent: Monday, March 12, 2007 11:09 AM

To: Tuschen, Terry

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Terry,

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125.02(3)

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125.02(21)

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125.04(9)

(9) Separate license or permit required. Except as provided under ss. 125.27 (2) (a) and 125.51 (5) (c) 1., wholesalers, manufacturers, rectifiers, brewers and retailers shall have a separate permit or license covering each location or premises, except a licensed public warehouse, from which deliveries and sales of alcohol beverages are made or at which alcohol beverages are stored.

125.06(1)

(1) Brewers' premises. The furnishing, by brewers, of fermented malt beverages free of charge to customers, visitors and employees on the brewery premises if the fermented malt beverages are consumed on the brewery premises and are not furnished or consumed in or near any room or place where intoxicating liquor is sold.

125.07(3)(a)13.

13. An underage person who enters or remains in a banquet or hospitality room on brewery premises operated under a Class "B" or "Class B" license for the purpose of attending a brewery tour.

125.07(4)(bm)1.

1. A brewer.

125.32(5)

(5) Signs near taps and brands on tap; Class "B" premises. Every Class "B" licensee or permittee selling or offering for sale draught fermented malt beverages shall display a sign on or near each tap or faucet disclosing the brand of fermented malt beverage drawn from the tap or faucet and the name of its brewer. No Class "B" licensee or permittee may substitute any other brand of fermented malt beverage in place of the brand designated on the sign with the intent to defraud or deceive the customer.

125.32(7)(a)

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125.33

125.33 Restrictions on dealings between brewers, wholesalers and retailers. 125.33(1)(a)

(a) Except as provided in this section and s. 125.31, no brewer or wholesaler may furnish, give, lend, lease or sell any furniture, fixtures, fittings, equipment, money or other thing of value to any campus or Class "B" licensee or permittee, or to any person for the use, benefit or relief of any campus or Class "B" licensee or permittee, or guarantee the repayment of any loan or the fulfillment of any financial obligation of any campus or Class "B" licensee or permittee. Such actions may not be taken by the brewer or wholesaler directly or indirectly, or through a subsidiary or affiliate corporation or limited liability company, or by any officer, director, stockholder, partner or member thereof.

125.33(1)(b)

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125.33(2)

(2) (intro.) Exceptions. Notwithstanding the prohibitions in sub. (1), a brewer or wholesaler may:

125.33(2)(a)

(a) Give to any campus or Class "B" licensee or permittee, at any given time, for placement inside the premises, signs, clocks, or menu boards with an aggregate value of not more than \$2,500. If a gift of any item would cause the \$2,500 limit to be exceeded, the recipient shall pay the brewer or wholesaler the amount of the item's value in excess of \$2,500. Each recipient shall keep an invoice or credit memo containing the name of the donor and the number and value of items received under this paragraph. The value of an item is its cost to the donor. Each recipient shall make the records kept under this paragraph available to the department for inspection upon request.

125.33(2)(d)

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125.33(2)(i)

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125.33(2)(j)

(j) Contribute money or other items of value to, or purchase advertising from, an institution of higher education which is exempt under section 501 (c) (3) of the internal revenue code, as defined in s. 71.22 (4), if the contribution or purchase is for a purpose other than the use, benefit or relief of premises or operations for the sale of fermented malt beverages and is not contingent either upon the use of the product of the brewer or wholesaler by the institution or upon an agreement by the institution wholly or partly to exclude from sale the products of a competing brewer or wholesaler.

125.33(2)(k)

(k) Contribute money or other items of value, or purchase advertising from, a campus if the contribution or purchase is for a purpose other than the use, benefit or relief of premises or operations for the sale of fermented malt beverages and is not contingent either upon the use of the product of the brewer or wholesaler by the campus or upon an agreement by the campus partly or wholly to exclude from sale the products of a competing brewer or wholesaler.

125.33(2)(L)2.

2. Purchase advertising from a person who does not hold a license under this chapter and who conducts national or regional sweepstakes, contests, or promotions on the premises of Class "B" licensees or permittees that sell the brewer's or wholesaler's products. The person may promote an event or activity in connection with a sweepstakes, contest, or promotion, including promoting the location of the event or activity, if the Class "B" licensee or permittee on whose premises the event or activity will occur does not receive money for hosting the event or activity and, except as provided in subd. 4., if the advertising for the event or activity identifies at least 4 unaffiliated Class "B" licensees or permittees.

125.33(2)(L)3.

3. Conduct national or regional sweepstakes, contests, or promotions on the premises of Class "B" licensees or permittees that sell the brewer's or wholesaler's products. The brewer or wholesaler may promote an event or activity in connection with a sweepstakes, contest, or promotion, including promoting the location of the event or activity, if the Class "B" licensee or permittee on whose premises the event or activity will occur does not receive money for hosting the event or activity and, except as provided in subd. 4., if the advertising for the event or activity identifies at least 4 unaffiliated Class "B" licensees or permittees.

125.33(2)(L)4.

4. A brewer that manufactures less than 30,000 barrels of fermented malt beverages annually may purchase advertising under subd. 2, and may promote sweepstakes, contests, or promotions through advertising under subd. 3., if the advertising identifies at least one Class "B" licensee or permittee.

125.33(2)(n)2.

2. Notwithstanding subd. 1., no brewer or wholesaler may provide business entertainment to a Class "B" licensee or permittee under subd. 1. in one day that has a value exceeding \$500, and no brewer or wholesaler may provide business entertainment to a Class "B" licensee or permittee under subd. 1. on more than 8 days in any calendar year.

125.33(2)(p)1.

1. Have present not more than 3 individuals representing the brewer at a fermented malt beverages tasting event that lasts 2 days or less and at which taste samples of fermented malt beverages brewed or sold by at least 5 different brewers are offered for consumption by persons who either pay for the taste samples or pay a charge for admission to the event. Any individual representing a brewer shall confine his or her activities on the premises to ensuring the integrity of, providing information about and dispensing the brewer's fermented malt beverages.

125.33(2s)

(2s) Exception for retail trade association contributions. Notwithstanding the prohibitions in sub. (1), a brewer or wholesaler may contribute money or other things of value to a bona fide national, statewide, or local trade association that derives its principal income from membership dues of Class "B" licensees.

125.33(3)

(3) Exemption for certain real estate. The restrictions contained in sub. (1) do not apply to real estate owned in whole or part on May 24, 1941, by any brewer or wholesaler, directly or indirectly, or through or by a subsidiary or affiliate corporation, or by any officer, director, stockholder, partner or trustee for any of the foregoing, or upon which any of the foregoing held a valid lien on May 24, 1941, or to any real estate owned in whole or part by any of the foregoing upon which there is or may be a hotel of 100 or more rooms.

125.33(7)(d)

(d) Penalties. A retail licensee or permittee who violates this subsection is subject to the penalties under s. 125.11 except that he or she may not be imprisoned. No brewer or wholesaler may be subjected to any penalty as the result of the sale of fermented malt beverages to a campus or retail licensee or permittee when purchased by the campus or retail licensee or permittee in violation of this subsection.

125.33(7m)

(7m) Conditional purchases. No Class "A" or Class "B" licensee may condition the purchase of fermented malt beverages from a brewer or wholesaler upon the furnishing by the brewer or wholesaler of any thing of value, other than the products purchased, to the licensee or to any person for the use, benefit, or relief of the licensee.

125.33(8)

(8) Exclusive sales by wholesaler. A wholesaler may not sell or offer to sell a brand of fermented malt beverages exclusively to one Class "A" licensee or to a group of Class "A" licensees affiliated through common ownership, management or control, unless the brand of fermented malt beverages is produced by a brewer which produces less than 300,000 barrels of fermented malt beverages in a calendar year.

125.33(10)(a)1.

1. "Brand" means any word, name, group of letters, symbols, or combination thereof, including the name of the brewer if the brewer's name is also a significant part of the product name, adopted and used by a brewer to identify a specific fermented malt beverage product and to distinguish that product from other fermented malt beverages produced by that brewer or other brewers.

125.33(10)(a)2.

2. "Discontinued brand" means, with respect to a terminated wholesaler, any brand of fermented malt beverages for which a brewer, brewer's agent, or holder of an out-of-state shipper's permit has terminated, cancelled, or failed to renew an agreement, whether oral or written, with the wholesaler to supply that brand.

125.33(10)(a)3.

3. "Successor wholesaler" means any wholesaler who enters into an agreement, whether oral or written, to obtain a supply of a brand of fermented malt beverages from a brewer, brewer's agent, or holder of an out-of-state shipper's permit after the brewer, brewer's agent, or holder of an out-of-state shipper's permit has terminated, cancelled, or failed to renew an agreement, whether oral or written, with a terminated wholesaler to supply that same brand of fermented malt beverages.

125.33(10)(a)4.

4. "Terminated wholesaler" means a wholesaler with whom a brewer, brewer's agent, or holder of an out-of-state shipper's permit has terminated, cancelled, or failed to renew an agreement, whether oral or written, to supply a brand of fermented malt beverages to that wholesaler.

125.33(10)(b)

(b) Except as provided in par. (c) and subject to pars. (d) and (e), a successor wholesaler shall compensate a terminated wholesaler for the fair market value of the terminated wholesaler's distribution rights to any discontinued brand of fermented malt beverages assumed by the successor wholesaler for the same territory, less any amount paid to the terminated wholesaler by the brewer, brewer's agent, or holder of an out-of-state shipper's permit for the discontinued brand. If the terminated wholesaler's distribution rights to any discontinued brand of fermented malt beverages are divided among 2 or more successor wholesalers, each successor wholesaler shall compensate the terminated wholesaler for the fair market value of the distribution rights to any discontinued brand of fermented malt beverages assumed by that successor wholesaler for the applicable part of the same territory, less any amount paid to the terminated wholesaler by the brewer, brewer's agent, or holder of an out-of-state shipper's permit for the discontinued brand. A terminated wholesaler may not receive under this paragraph total compensation from the successor wholesaler and brewer, brewer's agent, or holder of an out-of-state shipper's permit that exceeds the fair market value of the terminated wholesaler's distribution rights specified under this paragraph.

125.33(10)(c)1.

1. The wholesaler or a principal of the wholesaler engaged in material fraudulent conduct or made substantial misrepresentations in its dealings with the brewer, brewer's agent, or holder of an out-of-state shipper's permit or with others regarding any brand of the brewer, brewer's agent, or holder of an out-of-state shipper's permit.

125.33(10)(c)3.

3. The wholesaler or a principal of the wholesaler knowingly distributed any brand of the brewer, brewer's agent, or holder of an out-of-state shipper's permit outside the territory authorized by the brewer, brewer's agent, or holder of an out-of-state shipper's permit for distribution of the brand.

125.33(11)(a)

(a) Subject to s. 125.34 (3), no wholesaler who holds a retail license issued under this chapter may sell a brand of fermented malt beverages to another retail licensee unless the wholesaler has an agreement for general wholesale distribution of that brand of fermented malt beverages with the brewer, brewer's agent or holder of an out-of-state shipper's permit supplying that brand.

125.33(11)(b)

(b) If a wholesaler who holds a retail license issued under this chapter violates par. (a), any other wholesaler aggrieved by such violation or the brewer may bring an action against such wholesaler in any court of competent jurisdiction for damages sustained by the aggrieved wholesaler or the brewer as a consequence of the violation, together with the actual costs of the action. Notwithstanding s. 814.04 (1), a wholesaler or the brewer who prevails in an action under this paragraph may recover reasonable actual attorney fees incurred in the action.

139.01(1)

(1) "Bottler" means any person other than a brewer who places fermented malt beverages in bottles or similar containers.

139.04(2)

(2) Furnishing by a brewer of fermented malt beverages to workmen employed in the brewery for consumption on the brewery premises without charge.

139.04(4)

(4) Sale or shipment of fermented malt beverages by a brewer to a bottler or of intoxicating liquor in bulk between manufacturers, rectifiers and wineries.

139.05(2)

(2) Each brewer and bottler in this state and each wholesaler of malt beverages within this state to whom malt beverages are shipped from outside this state shall on or before the fifteenth day of each month file with the secretary on forms prescribed by the secretary a verified return containing such information as may be required to compute and show the amount of occupational tax payable by the brewer, bottler or wholesaler or by the shipper for the next preceding calendar month on malt beverages.

139.05(7)(a)

(a) If any present or future law or regulation effective in any state prohibits a person from shipping into such state a fermented malt beverage produced outside thereof except upon condition that the person shipping such fermented malt beverage into such state first obtain a license therefor from such state and if such license or a renewal thereof may be refused for violation of any law of such state relating to fermented malt beverages, it is unlawful to ship into this state or to purchase or sell within this state any fermented malt beverage produced in such state, unless and until the brewer thereof is the holder of a valid subsisting license as provided in this subsection.

139.05(7)(b)

(b) Such license shall be issued by the secretary to persons who hold a valid certificate issued under s. 73.03 (50). The application for such license shall be verified and shall contain an agreement on the part of the brewer that the brewer shall observe all laws of this state relating to fermented malt beverages, and such other information and statements as the secretary may require. Any such brewer who has, directly or indirectly, violated any law of this state relating to fermented malt beverages shall not be entitled to such a license. The secretary may require the applicant to furnish a bond payable to the state in an amount not less than \$1,000 nor more than \$5,000 conditioned upon the faithful compliance by the applicant with the undertakings set forth in the application for the license.

139.05(7)(d)

(d) Any such brewer and any other person who ships or causes or permits to be shipped into this state any such fermented malt beverage, and any person who knowingly receives

within this state from outside this state any such fermented malt beverage, at a time when the brewer thereof is not the holder of a valid and subsisting license as herein provided, is guilty of a misdemeanor.

139.08(4)

(4) Inspection for enforcement. Duly authorized employees of the department of justice and the department of revenue and any sheriff, police officer, marshal or constable, within their respective jurisdictions, may at all reasonable hours enter any licensed premises, and examine the books, papers and records of any brewer, manufacturer, bottler, rectifier, wholesaler or retailer, for the purpose of inspecting the same and determining whether the tax and fee imposed by ss. 139.01 to 139.25 have been fully paid, and may inspect and examine, according to law, any premises where fermented malt beverages or intoxicating liquors are manufactured, sold, exposed for sale, possessed or stored, for the purpose of inspecting the same and determining whether the tax imposed by ss. 139.01 to 139.25 has been fully paid, and whether ss. 139.01 to 139.25 and ch. 125 are being complied with. Any refusal to permit such examination of such premises is sufficient grounds under s. 125.12 for revocation or suspension of any license or permit granted for the sale of any fermented malt beverages or intoxicating liquors and is punishable under s. 139.25 (10).

139.09

139.09 Registration. Every brewer, bottler, manufacturer, rectifier, wholesaler or retailer liable for payment of the occupational tax imposed in ss. 139.01 to 139.25 shall hold a valid certificate under s. 73.03 (50). The secretary shall assign the person a registration number.

139.11(2)

(2) Report. Each brewer, bottler, manufacturer, rectifier and wholesaler shall on or before the 15th day of each calendar month or the dates prescribed by the secretary file a verified report of all fermented malt beverages or intoxicating liquor manufactured, received, sold, delivered or shipped by him or her during the preceding calendar month, except that the department may allow wholesale, winery and out-of-state shipper permittees whose tax liability is less than \$500 per quarter to file on a quarterly basis. Quarterly reports shall be filed on or before the 15th of the next month following the close of the calendar quarter.

139.11(3)

(3) Secretary's powers. When the secretary finds that the records kept by any brewer, bottler, manufacturer, rectifier, wholesaler or retailer are in such condition than an unusual amount of time is required to determine therefrom the amount of tax due, the secretary may give notice of such fact to such person and may require the records to be kept in such form as the secretary prescribes. If such requirements are not complied with within 30 days after the date of the notice, the brewer, bottler, manufacturer, rectifier, wholesaler or retailer shall pay the expenses reasonably attributable to the determination of tax at the rate of \$30 per day for each auditor. The secretary shall render a bill therefor by registered mail to the person charged with payment at the conclusion of the audit,

which bill shall constitute notice of assessment and demand of payment thereof. The brewer, bottler, manufacturer, rectifier, wholesaler or retailer shall, within 10 days after the mailing of the bill, pay its amount, and such payment shall be credited to the appropriation made in s. 20.566 (1) (a).

139.11(4)

(4) Confidentiality. Sections 71.78 (1) and (4) to (9) and 71.83 (2) (a) 3., relating to confidentiality of income, franchise and gift tax returns, apply to any information obtained from any person on a fermented malt beverage or intoxicating liquor tax return, report, schedule, exhibit or other document or from an audit report relating to any of those documents, except that the department of revenue shall publish brewery production and sales statistics and shall publish or permit the publication of statistics on the total number of gallons of the types and brands of intoxicating liquor sold in this state.

139.18(1)

(1) The possession of any fermented malt beverages on any licensed premises, other than upon the premises of a brewer or bottler, shall be deemed prima facie evidence that such products are kept with intent to sell and that such products are subject to the tax herein imposed.

139.22

139.22 Confiscation. If a duly authorized employee of the department of revenue or the department of justice or any sheriff, police officer, marshal or constable, within his or her respective jurisdiction, discovers any fermented malt beverages upon any premises other than the premises of a brewer or bottler, or any intoxicating liquor upon any premises other than the premises of a manufacturer, rectifier, winery or wholesaler, and upon which the tax has not been paid or which was possessed, kept, stored, manufactured, sold, distributed or transported in violation of ss. 139.01 to 139.25 and ch. 125, the employee or any such officer may immediately seize the fermented malt beverages or intoxicating liquors. Any such fermented malt beverages or intoxicating liquors so seized shall be held by the department of revenue and disposed of under s. 125.14 (2) (e).

346.93(1)

(1) No underage person, as defined under s. 125.02 (20m), may knowingly possess, transport or have under his or her control any alcohol beverage in any motor vehicle unless the person is employed by a brewer, an alcohol beverage licensee, wholesaler, retailer, distributor, manufacturer or rectifier and is possessing, transporting or having such beverage in a motor vehicle under his or her control during his or her working hours and in the course of employment, as provided under s. 125.07 (4) (bm).