
DIGEST

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HB 523 Reengrossed

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Abstract: Authorizes manufacturers or brewers to host up to 12 contracted private events at the brewing facility and provides certain restrictions for such events.

Present law, in part, defines "manufacturer or brewer" as any person who personally or otherwise engages in the making, blending, rectifying, brewing, or other processing of alcoholic beverages for shipments to licensed wholesale dealers within the state.

Present law provides that a manufacturer or brewer may sell or serve only those products brewed at a La. facility to the public only at that facility for consumption on or off the premises but not for resale.

Present law further provides that the total amount of sales to the public for any given month shall not exceed 10% of the total amount of the product brewed monthly or 250 barrels, whichever is greater.

Proposed law retains present law and adds that a manufacturer or brewer who operates a brewing facility entirely located in this state may host contracted private events held at a brewing facility if the following conditions are met:

- (1) A copy of the lease is provided to the commissioner at least 10 days prior to the event.
- (2) The manufacturer or brewer may charge a reasonable rental fee to the third party for the contracted private event.
- (3) The manufacturer or brewer may serve to guests beer manufactured at that licensed facility. The brewer shall not charge the third party more than its standard prices for such products.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 26:309)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Judiciary to the original bill:

1. Change all private events to contracted private events and provide conditions for

manufacturers or brewers to host such events.

2. Add an effective date upon signature of the governor.

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Make technical changes.
2. Change references from a third party to a person not licensed pursuant to present law.