

2023 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 647 (Substitute for House Bill No. 263 by Representative Bourriaque)

BY REPRESENTATIVES BOURRIAQUE, BACALA, DUBUISSON, FREEMAN,
LACOMBE, ROMERO, AND TURNER

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 26:85(introductory paragraph) and (6) and to enact R.S.
3 26:2(35), (36), and 85(7), relative to alcoholic beverages; to provide relative to the
4 definitions of distilling, manufacturing distiller, and manufacturing distillery; to
5 authorize manufacturing distillers to sell or serve to the public from any facility; to
6 provide for applicability to manufacturing distillers; and to provide for related
7 matters.

8 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

9 Section 1. R.S. 26:85(introductory paragraph) and (6) are hereby amended and
10 reenacted and R.S. 26:2(35), (36), and 85(7) are hereby enacted to read as follows:

11 §2. Definitions

12 For purposes of this Chapter, the following terms have the respective
13 meanings ascribed to them in this Section, unless a different meaning clearly appears
14 from the context:

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16 (35) "Distill, distilling, and distilled" means the process of producing liquor
17 by distillation through one or more stills located at a licensed premises as part of a
18 distiller's process of engaging in the material and essential aspects of manufacturing
19 such distilled spirits for human consumption.

20 (36) "Manufacturing distillery" or "manufacturing distiller" means any
21 person who personally or through any agent engages in the distilling of any alcoholic
22 beverage in Louisiana, engages in the distilling of any alcoholic beverage outside
23 Louisiana for sale in this state, or engages in the business of supplying distilled
24 alcoholic beverages to licensed wholesale dealers in Louisiana.

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