
DIGEST

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Abstract: Authorizes manufacturers or brewers to host up to 12 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 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 ten days prior to the event.
- (2) The brewer may charge a reasonable rental fee to the third party for the private event.
- (3) The third party or brewer shall not charge a cover charge, entry fee, or sell entry tickets in connection with the event.
- (4) No food or beverages shall be sold to guests of the private event.
- (5) The third party may serve to guests alcoholic beverages manufactured by the brewer, but the brewer shall not charge the third party more than its standard prices for such products.
- (6) The third party may serve to guests food that is prepared either by the third party or by a restaurant or caterer hired by the third party to prepare and serve the food.
- (7) Minors shall be allowed in the bar area of the facility during the private event.

(Amends R.S. 26:241(15); Adds R.S. 26:309)