

2024 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 882

BY REPRESENTATIVE LACOMBE

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES: Provides with respect to microbreweries

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 26:271.1(A)(2)(b), relative to retail sales on or off premises of
3 a microbrewery; to provide relative to transfers; to provide relative to conditions; and
4 to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 26:271.1(A)(2)(b) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as
7 follows:

8 §271.1. Microbrewery; retail sales on or off premises

9 A.

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11 (2) A licensed wholesaler may transfer from a permitted microbrewery to
12 another permitted microbrewery up to fifty percent of the total manufactured
13 beverages sold at the receiving microbrewery provided all of the following
14 conditions are met:

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16 (b) The receiving microbrewery shall have, at a minimum, a ~~ten-barrel~~ five-
17 barrel brewing system.

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides with respect to microbreweries.

Present law authorizes any person who has properly obtained a microbrewer's permit as provided for in present law, to engage in the brewing of beer and other malt beverages in a quantity not to exceed 12,500 barrels during the licensed year.

Present law authorizes the holder of the microbrewer's permit to sell the manufactured beverages at retail for consumption on or off the licensed premises, if the holder also has been issued a Retailer, Class A permit.

Present law authorizes a licensed wholesaler to transfer from a permitted microbrewery to another permitted microbrewery up to 50% of the total manufactured beverages sold at the receiving microbrewery provided all of the following conditions are met:

- (1) The microbrewery receiving the transferred manufactured beverages be wholly owned by the permitted microbrewery that brews the manufactured beverages authorized for transfer.
- (2) The receiving microbrewery have, at a minimum, a 10-barrel brewing system.
- (3) The microbrewery transferring the manufactured beverages shall be responsible for paying all applicable federal, state, and local excise taxes on the transferred manufactured beverages.
- (4) Only one permitted microbrewery within the same municipality be allowed to receive the transfer of manufactured beverages.

Proposed law retains present law but changes the minimum requirement of a receiving microbrewery from a 10-barrel brewing system to a 5-barrel brewing system.

(Amends R.S. 26:271.1(A)(2)(b))