

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 563

BY REPRESENTATIVE LACOMBE

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES: Provides relative to manufacturing brewers

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 26:241(18), relative to manufacturers or brewers; to provide for  
3 the definition of manufacturers or brewers; to provide for the sale and service of the  
4 products of manufacturers or brewers; to provide for regulations; and to provide for  
5 related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 26:241(18) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

8 §241. Definitions

9 The following terms have the respective meanings ascribed to them except  
10 in those instances where the context indicates a different meaning:

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12 (18) "Manufacturer or brewer" means any person who, directly or indirectly,  
13 personally or through any agency, person, or establishment, engages in the making,  
14 blending, rectifying, brewing, or other processing of alcoholic beverages in  
15 Louisiana or outside the state for shipments to licensed wholesale dealers within the  
16 state subject to the provisions of R.S. 26:364. A manufacturer or brewer who  
17 operates a brewing facility entirely located in the state of Louisiana may sell or  
18 serve:

19 (a) ~~only those~~ Those products brewed at that facility to the public ~~only~~ at that  
20 facility for consumption on or off the premises but not for resale. The total amount

1 of such sales to the public for any given month shall not exceed ten percent of the  
 2 total amount of product brewed at that facility monthly or two hundred fifty barrels,  
 3 whichever is greater. Any manufacturer or brewer who sells its products to the  
 4 public pursuant to this ~~Paragraph~~ Subparagraph shall remit all state and parish or  
 5 municipal sales and excise taxes to the proper tax collecting authority for all products  
 6 sold to the public. A manufacturer or brewer who sells or serves its products to the  
 7 public pursuant to this ~~Paragraph~~ Subparagraph, shall comply with all local zoning  
 8 laws and regulations.

9 (b) Provided that a manufacturer or brewer complies with the provisions of  
 10 R.S. 26:286, manufacturers or brewers who own and operate a brewing facility  
 11 entirely located in the state of Louisiana may sell or serve their finished products at  
 12 retail directly to consumers at a farmer's market and similar venues defined by the  
 13 commissioner pursuant to rules and regulations promulgated in accordance with the  
 14 Administrative Procedure Act. The manufacturer or brewer shall give notice of its  
 15 intent to sell its product to the commissioner at least five days in advance of the  
 16 initial date of the farmer's market and any product sold at the market shall be offered  
 17 at a price consistent with the current price in that geographical area.

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DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Provides for manufacturers and brewers to sale their alcohol products at a farmer's market.

Present law provides that manufacturers and brewers may sell and serve the products that are brewed at their facility on the grounds of the facility provided they pay all state and parish sales and excise taxes and comply with all local zoning laws and regulations.

Proposed law retains present law and provides that manufacturers and brewers may sell and serve their products at a local farmer's market provided they give the commissioner of alcohol and tobacco five days advance notice before the market begins and sale the product at a price consistent with the current price in the geographical area of the market.

(Amends R.S. 26:241(18))