DIGEST

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Arnold HB No. 462

Abstract: Provides for citizenship and residency requirements for any partnership, corporation, or limited liability company applying for a manufacturer's permit.

<u>Present law</u> provides that applicants for state and local permits shall demonstrate that they meet certain qualifications and conditions, which includes that the applicant not be the spouse of a person who does not meet certain requirements and further provides that the age of the ineligible spouse is immaterial.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and further provides for the definition of "spouse" to include persons who are considered married outside of the United States, persons who ordinarily hold themselves out as husband and wife, or persons who file their state and federal income tax returns as either "married filing jointly" or "married filing separate".

<u>Present law</u> provides that if an applicant for a permit is a partnership recognized by La. law, or anyone in such partnership with or financed by another, then all members of such partnership, or all persons furnishing the money for such partnership shall also possess the qualifications required of an applicant.

<u>Present law</u> provides that if a partner of a partnership applying for a retail permit is a corporation or limited liability company, the requirements as to citizenship and residency shall not apply to officers, directors, and stockholders of the corporation or members of the limited liability company.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and provides that the provisions of <u>present law</u> shall also apply to applicants for manufacturer's permits.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the requirements as to citizenship and residence do not apply to officers, directors, or stockholders of corporations or members of limited liability companies applying for retail permits; to officers, directors, or stockholders or members of a manufacturer that does not maintain one or more establishments in this state; or to officers, directors, or stockholders of any corporation which on Jan. 31, 2003, had held a wholesale dealer permit continuously for at least the past three years.

<u>Proposed law</u> amends <u>present law</u> to provide that this exception shall apply to officers, directors, or stockholders or members of a manufacturer regardless of whether the manufacturer maintains an establishment in the state.

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

(Adds R.S. 26:80(A)(11), (B), and (C)(2))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Judiciary to the original bill.

1. Added a the definition of "spouse" as it relates to qualifications for applicants for state and local permits to include persons who are considered married outside of the United States, persons who ordinarily hold themselves out as husband and wife, or persons who file their state and federal income tax returns as either "married filing jointly" or "married filing separate".