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<u>Present law</u> establishes regulations for the business relations between suppliers and wholesalers of beer, including action prohibited by wholesalers and suppliers.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and establishes a definition of a successor as a person who replaces a supplier, importer, broker, or wholesaler with regard to the right to manufacture, sell, distribute, broker, or import a brand or brands of beer or light wine.

<u>Proposed law</u> creates obligations imposed upon a successor, regardless of the character of the succession. <u>Proposed law</u> also provides a successor shall:

- (1) Become obligated to all the terms and conditions of the agreement in effect on the date of the succession.
- (2) Have the right to contractually require its wholesalers to comply with standards of performance if the standards are uniformly established and enforced for all of its similarly situated wholesalers and conform with present law.

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