
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO LIQUOR LICENSES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. Section 281-31, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending subsection (j) to read as follows:
3 "(j) Class 10. Special license.
4 (1) A special license may be granted for the sale of
5 liquor for a period not to exceed three days and
6 pursuant to commission rule may be approved by the
7 administrator for fundraising events by nonprofit
8 organizations, political candidates, and political
9 parties; provided that any registered educational or
10 charitable nonprofit organization may sell liquors in
11 their original packages for off-premises
12 consumption[-]; provided further that any social club
13 granted tax-exempt status pursuant to section
14 501(c)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as
15 amended, may sell wine from the social club's
16 inventory to the club's members for off-premises



1 consumption. Of this class, there shall be the
2 following kinds:

3 ~~[(1)]~~ (A) General (includes all liquor except alcohol);
4 ~~[(2)]~~ (B) Beer and wine; and
5 ~~[(3)]~~ (C) Beer.

6 Liquor sold under a class 10 license shall be consumed
7 on the premises.

8 (2) Notwithstanding any other section of this chapter to
9 the contrary, the commission shall waive any hearings,
10 fees, notarization of documents, submission of floor
11 plans and other governmental clearances, and other
12 requirements for the issuance of a class 10 license.
13 The class 10 license granted under this subsection for
14 a fundraising event shall include the ability to
15 auction off, at a live or silent auction, liquor in
16 sealed or covered glass, ceramic, or metal containers
17 or services that provide liquor. No criminal history
18 record check under sections 281-53.5 or 846-2.7 or any
19 other section of this chapter shall be required. The
20 commission may require proof of liquor liability
21 insurance for the fundraising event and a current list



1 of officers and directors if the applicant is a
2 nonprofit organization."

3 SECTION 2. Until a liquor commission adopts rules to
4 implement the amendments made to section 281-31(j), Hawaii
5 Revised Statutes, by this Act, the liquor commission shall be
6 governed by this Act.

7 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
8 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

9 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



Report Title:

Liquor License; Class 10 Special License; Fundraising Events;
Social Clubs; Fee Waiver

Description:

Allows social clubs granted federal tax-exempt status to sell wine from the social club's inventory to club members for off-premises consumption. Waives certain requirements for the issuance of class 10 special licenses. Enables class 10 special licensees to auction off liquor in sealed or covered containers or services that provide liquor. (SB2612 HD1)

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