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Sponsors

Representative Lebsock
Senator Tate

Short Title

Wine & Spirits Wholesalers
Employee Purchase Program

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Status

This research note reflects the final version of the bill, which became effective on April 14, 2016.

Summary

This bill allows licensed vinous and spirituous wholesalers to establish employee purchase programs that allow employees to purchase wine and spirits directly from the wholesaler.

Background

Under current law, vinous and spirituous wholesalers are only allowed to sell wine and spirits to licensed retailers.

House Action

House Business Affairs and Labor Committee (February 16, 2016). At the hearing, representatives from the Wine & Spirits Wholesalers of Colorado and the Southern Wine & Spirits of Colorado testified in support of the bill. A representative from the Colorado Department of Revenue Liquor Enforcement Division responded to questions from the committee. The committee referred the bill, unamended, to the House Committee of the Whole.

House second reading (February 18, 2016). The House passed the bill, unamended, on second reading.

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House third reading (February 19, 2016). The House passed the bill, unamended, on third reading.

Senate Action

Senate Business, Labor, & Technology Committee (March 16, 2016). At the hearing, a representative from the Wine & Spirits Wholesalers of Colorado testified in support of the bill. The committee referred the bill, unamended, to the Senate Committee of the Whole with a recommendation that it be placed on the consent calendar.

Senate second reading (March 21, 2016). The Senate passed the bill, unamended, on second reading.

Senate third reading (March 22, 2016). The Senate passed the bill, unamended, on third reading.