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SENATE BILL 25-132

SENATE SPONSORSHIP

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Senate Committees

Business, Labor, & Technology

House Committees

A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING A SPIRITUOUS LIQUOR MANUFACTURER'S AUTHORITY TO
102 CONDUCT TASTINGS.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)

Under current law, a licensed manufacturer of spirituous liquor (manufacturer) may conduct tastings of the manufacturer's own spirituous liquors at the manufacturer's licensed premises or at one other approved sales room location. The bill authorizes the manufacturer to also conduct tastings:

- Of other alcohol beverages acquired from a wholesaler

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Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing law.
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- licensed in the state; and
- At up to 5 approved sales room locations.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 44-3-402, **amend**
3 (7)(a) as follows:

4 **44-3-402. Manufacturer's license - rules.** (7) (a) (I) A
5 manufacturer of spirituous liquors licensed pursuant to this section may
6 conduct tastings and sell to customers spirituous liquors of its own
7 manufacture, AS WELL AS OTHER ALCOHOL BEVERAGES ACQUIRED FROM
8 WHOLESALERS LICENSED IN THIS STATE PURSUANT TO SECTION 44-3-407,
9 on ~~its~~ THE MANUFACTURER'S licensed premises and at ~~one~~ UP TO FIVE
10 other approved sales room ~~location~~ LOCATIONS at no additional cost. A
11 sales room location may be included in the license at the time of the
12 original license issuance or by supplemental application. If the licensed
13 premises includes multiple noncontiguous locations, the manufacturer
14 may operate a sales room on ~~only one~~ UP TO FIVE of those noncontiguous
15 locations.

16 (II) A manufacturer of spirituous liquors licensed pursuant to this
17 section that operates a sales room may purchase and use common alcohol
18 modifiers, including vermouth, amaros, and liqueurs, to combine with
19 spirituous liquors to produce cocktails for consumption on or off the sales
20 room premises. A manufacturer that uses an alcohol modifier pursuant to
21 this subsection (7)(a)(II) shall combine the modifier with a spirituous
22 liquor. ~~produced by the manufacturer.~~ A manufacturer shall not sell an
23 alcohol modifier that has not been combined with a spiritous liquor. The
24 state licensing authority may adopt rules necessary to implement and
25 administer this subsection (7)(a)(II).

1 **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act
2 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the
3 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except
4 that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V
5 of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this
6 act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take
7 effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
8 November 2026 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
9 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.