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HOUSE BILL No. 6043

May 1, 2008, Introduced by Reps. Farrah, Sak, Byrnes, Johnson, Ward, Warren, Gillard, Horn, Griffin, Accavitti, Simpson, Cheeks and Tobocman and referred to the Committee on Regulatory Reform.

A bill to amend 1998 PA 58, entitled
"Michigan liquor control code of 1998,"
by amending sections 525, 1111, and 1114 (MCL 436.1525, 436.2111, and 436.2114), section 525 as amended by 2006 PA 539 and section 1114 as added by 2004 PA 134, and by adding section 1116.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Sec. 525. (1) Except as otherwise provided for in this section, the following license fees shall be paid at the time of filing applications or as otherwise provided in this act:
 - (a) Manufacturers of spirits, but not including makers, blenders, and rectifiers of wines containing 21% or less alcohol by volume, \$1,000.00.
 - (b) Manufacturers of beer, \$50.00 per 1,000 barrels, or

- 1 fraction of a barrel, production annually with a maximum fee of
- 2 \$1,000.00, and in addition \$50.00 for each motor vehicle used in
- 3 delivery to retail licensees. A fee increase does not apply to a
- 4 manufacturer of less than 15,000 barrels production per year.
- 5 (c) Outstate seller of beer, delivering or selling beer in
- 6 this state, \$1,000.00.
- 7 (d) Wine makers, blenders, and rectifiers of wine, including
- 8 makers, blenders, and rectifiers of wines containing 21% or less
- 9 alcohol by volume, \$100.00. The small wine maker license fee is
- **10** \$25.00.
- 11 (e) Outstate seller of wine, delivering or selling wine in
- 12 this state, \$300.00.
- 13 (f) Outstate seller of mixed spirit drink, delivering or
- 14 selling mixed spirit drink in this state, \$300.00.
- 15 (q) Dining cars or other railroad or Pullman cars selling
- 16 alcoholic liquor, \$100.00 per train.
- 17 (h) Wholesale vendors other than manufacturers of beer,
- 18 \$300.00 for the first motor vehicle used in delivery to retail
- 19 licensees and \$50.00 for each additional motor vehicle used in
- 20 delivery to retail licensees.
- (i) Watercraft, licensed to carry passengers, selling
- 22 alcoholic liquor, a minimum fee of \$100.00 and a maximum fee of
- 23 \$500.00 per year computed on the basis of \$1.00 per person per
- 24 passenger capacity.
- 25 (j) Specially designated merchants, for selling beer or wine
- 26 for consumption off the premises only but not at wholesale, \$100.00
- 27 for each location regardless of the fact that the location may be a

- 1 part of a system or chain of merchandising.
- 2 (k) Specially designated distributors licensed by the
- 3 commission to distribute spirits and mixed spirit drink in the
- 4 original package for the commission for consumption off the
- 5 premises, \$150.00 per year, and an additional fee of \$3.00 for each
- 6 \$1,000.00 or major fraction of that amount in excess of \$25,000.00
- 7 of the total retail value of merchandise purchased under each
- 8 license from the commission during the previous calendar year.
- 9 (1) Hotels of class A selling beer and wine, a minimum fee of
- 10 \$250.00 and, for all bedrooms in excess of 20, \$1.00 for each
- 11 additional bedroom, but not more than \$500.00.
- 12 (m) Hotels of class B selling beer, wine, mixed spirit drink,
- and spirits, a minimum fee of \$600.00 and, for all bedrooms in
- 14 excess of 20, \$3.00 for each additional bedroom. If a hotel of
- 15 class B sells beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, and spirits in more
- 16 than 1 public bar, the fee entitles the hotel to sell in only 1
- 17 public bar, other than a bedroom, and a license shall be secured
- 18 for each additional public bar, other than a bedroom, the fee for
- **19** which is \$350.00.
- 20 (n) Taverns, selling beer and wine, \$250.00.
- 21 (o) Class C license selling beer, wine, mixed spirit drink,
- 22 and spirits, \$600.00. If a class C licensee sells beer, wine, mixed
- 23 spirit drink, and spirits in more than 1 bar, a fee of \$350.00
- 24 shall be paid for each additional bar. In municipally owned or
- 25 supported facilities in which nonprofit organizations operate
- 26 concession stands, a fee of \$100.00 shall be paid for each
- 27 additional bar.

- 1 (p) Clubs selling beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, and spirits,
- 2 \$300.00 for clubs having 150 or fewer duly accredited members and
- 3 \$1.00 for each additional member. The membership list for the
- 4 purpose only of determining the license fees to be paid under this
- 5 subdivision shall be the accredited list of members as determined
- 6 by a sworn affidavit 30 days before the closing of the license
- 7 year. This subdivision does not prevent the commission from
- 8 checking a membership list and making its own determination from
- 9 the list or otherwise. The list of members and additional members
- 10 is not required of a club paying the maximum fee. The maximum fee
- 11 shall not exceed \$750.00 for any 1 club.
- 12 (q) Warehousers, to be fixed by the commission with a minimum
- 13 fee for each warehouse of \$50.00.
- 14 (r) Special licenses, a fee of \$50.00 per day, except that the
- 15 fee for that license or permit issued to any bona fide nonprofit
- 16 association, duly organized and in continuous existence for 1 year
- 17 before the filing of its application, is \$25.00. Not more than 12
- 18 special licenses may be granted to any organization, including an
- 19 auxiliary of the organization, in a calendar year.
- (s) Airlines licensed to carry passengers in this state that
- 21 sell, offer for sale, provide, or transport alcoholic liquor,
- **22** \$600.00.
- 23 (t) Brandy manufacturer, \$100.00.
- 24 (u) Mixed spirit drink manufacturer, \$100.00.
- 25 (v) Brewpub, \$100.00.
- 26 (w) Class G-1, \$1,000.00.
- 27 (x) Class G-2, \$500.00.

- 1 (y) Motorsports event license, \$250.00.
- 2 (Z) SUNDAY MORNING PERMIT, \$250.00.
- 3 (2) The fees provided in this act for the various types of
- 4 licenses shall not be prorated for a portion of the effective
- 5 period of the license. Notwithstanding subsection (1), the initial
- 6 license fee for any licenses issued under section 531(3) and (4) is
- 7 \$20,000.00. The renewal license fee shall be the amount described
- 8 in subsection (1). However, the commission shall not impose the
- 9 \$20,000.00 initial license fee for applicants whose license
- 10 eligibility was already approved on July 20, 2005.
- 11 (3) Beginning July 23, 2004, and except in the case of any
- 12 resort or resort economic development license issued under section
- 13 531(2), (3), (4), and (5) and a license issued under section 521,
- 14 the commission shall issue an initial or renewal license not later
- 15 than 90 days after the applicant files a completed application.
- 16 Receipt of the application is considered the date the application
- 17 is received by any agency or department of the state of Michigan.
- 18 If the application is considered incomplete by the commission, the
- 19 commission shall notify the applicant in writing, or make the
- 20 information electronically available, within 30 days after receipt
- 21 of the incomplete application, describing the deficiency and
- 22 requesting the additional information. The determination of the
- 23 completeness of an application does not operate as an approval of
- 24 the application for the license and does not confer eligibility
- 25 upon an applicant determined otherwise ineligible for issuance of a
- 26 license. The 90-day period is tolled under any of the following
- 27 circumstances:

- 1 (a) Notice sent by the commission of a deficiency in the
- 2 application until the date all of the requested information is
- 3 received by the commission.
- 4 (b) The time period during which actions required by a party
- 5 other than the applicant or the commission are completed that
- 6 include, but are not limited to, completion of construction or
- 7 renovation of the licensed premises; mandated inspections by the
- 8 commission or by any state, local, or federal agency; approval by
- 9 the legislative body of a local unit of government; criminal
- 10 history or criminal record checks; financial or court record
- 11 checks; or other actions mandated by this act or rule or as
- 12 otherwise mandated by law or local ordinance.
- 13 (4) If the commission fails to issue or deny a license within
- 14 the time required by this section, the commission shall return the
- 15 license fee and shall reduce the license fee for the applicant's
- 16 next renewal application, if any, by 15%. The failure to issue a
- 17 license within the time required under this section does not allow
- 18 the commission to otherwise delay the processing of the
- 19 application, and that application, upon completion, shall be placed
- 20 in sequence with other completed applications received at that same
- 21 time. The commission shall not discriminate against an applicant in
- 22 the processing of the application based upon the fact that the
- 23 license fee was refunded or discounted under this subsection.
- 24 (5) Beginning October 1, 2005, the chair of the commission
- 25 shall submit a report by December 1 of each year to the standing
- 26 committees and appropriations subcommittees of the senate and house
- 27 of representatives concerned with liquor license issues. The chair

- 1 of the commission shall include all of the following information in
- 2 the report concerning the preceding fiscal year:
- 3 (a) The number of initial and renewal applications the
- 4 commission received and completed within the 90-day time period
- **5** described in subsection (3).
- 6 (b) The number of applications denied.
- 7 (c) The number of applicants not issued a license within the
- 8 90-day time period and the amount of money returned to licensees
- 9 under subsection (4).
- 10 (6) As used in this section, "completed application" means an
- 11 application complete on its face and submitted with any applicable
- 12 licensing fees as well as any other information, records, approval,
- 13 security, or similar item required by law or rule from a local unit
- 14 of government, a federal agency, or a private entity but not from
- 15 another department or agency of the state of Michigan.
- Sec. 1111. (1) The sale of beer and wine between the hours of
- 17 2 a.m. and 12 midnight on Sunday may be prohibited in any county,
- 18 city, village, or township by a majority vote of the electors
- 19 voting at a regular state election. Not more often than once in
- 20 every 4 years, upon the filing of a petition with the county, city,
- 21 village, or township clerk, as applicable, requesting the
- 22 submission of the question of the Sunday sale of beer and wine, the
- 23 clerk shall submit that question to the electors of the county,
- 24 city, village, or township at the next regular state election held
- 25 in that county, city, village, or township. A petition filed under
- 26 this subsection shall be filed not less than 60 days before the
- 27 regular state election. A ballot question under this subsection

- 1 shall not be submitted more often than once in any 4-year period.
- 2 (2) In the case of a county, city, or township, the petition
- 3 shall be signed by a number of the registered and qualified
- 4 electors of the county, city, or township that is not less than 35%
- 5 8% of the total number of votes cast for all candidates for the
- 6 office of secretary of state in that county, city, or township at
- 7 the last general election held for that purpose and, in the case of
- 8 a village the petition shall be signed by a number of the
- 9 registered and qualified electors of the village that is less than
- 10 35% 8% of the total number of votes cast for all candidates for the
- 11 office of president of the village at the last village election
- 12 held for that purpose.
- 13 (3) The question of the Sunday sale of beer and wine shall be
- 14 submitted by ballot in substantially the following form:
- "Shall the sale of beer and wine within (the county, city,
- 16 village, or township as the case may be) between the hours of 2
- 17 a.m. and 12 midnight on Sunday be prohibited?
- 18 Yes
- 19 No".
- 20 (4) All votes on the question submitted to the electors under
- 21 this section shall be taken, counted, and canvassed in the same
- 22 manner as votes cast in county, city, village, or township
- 23 election, as applicable, are taken, counted, and canvassed. Ballots
- 24 shall be furnished by the election commission or similar body of
- 25 the respective county, city, village, or township. If a majority of
- 26 the electors voting at an election conducted under this section
- 27 vote in favor of the question submitted, the sale of beer and wine

- 1 within that county, city, village, or township between the hours of
- 2 2 a.m. and 12 midnight on Sunday is prohibited.
- 3 Sec. 1114. (1) Notwithstanding R 436.1403 and R 436.1503 of
- 4 the Michigan administrative code and except as otherwise provided
- 5 under this act or rule of the commission, an on-premises and an
- 6 off-premises licensee shall not sell, give away, or furnish
- 7 alcoholic liquor between the hours of 2 a.m. and 7 a.m. on any day
- 8 and shall not sell, give away, or furnish alcoholic liquor between
- 9 the hours of 2 a.m. and 12 noon, EST, on Sunday. An
- 10 (2) NOTWITHSTANDING R 436.1403 AND R 436.1503 OF THE MICHIGAN
- 11 ADMINISTRATIVE CODE AND EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED UNDER THIS
- 12 ACT, AN on-premises and an off-premises licensee shall not sell,
- 13 give away, or furnish spirits between the hours of 2 a.m. and 12
- 14 midnight on Sunday, unless issued a Sunday sales permit by the
- 15 commission that allows the licensee to sell spirits on Sunday
- 16 between the hours of 12 noon, EST, and 12 midnight.
- 17 (3) (2)—For purposes of R 436.1403 and R 436.1503 of the
- 18 Michigan administrative code, 12 noon on Sunday is considered 12
- 19 noon on Sunday, EST, for any licensee located in the central time
- 20 zone.
- 21 (4) (3)—A reference to the time of day under this act or a
- 22 rule of the commission includes daylight savings time, when
- 23 observed.
- 24 (5) AS APPLICABLE, THIS SECTION IS SUBJECT TO ANY SUNDAY
- 25 MORNING PERMITS ISSUED UNDER SECTION 1116.
- 26 SEC. 1116. (1) NOTWITHSTANDING R 436.1403 AND R 436.1503 OF
- 27 THE MICHIGAN ADMINISTRATIVE CODE AND EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED

- 1 IN SUBSECTION (3) AND THIS CHAPTER, AN ON-PREMISES OR OFF-PREMISES
- 2 LICENSEE, OR BOTH, MAY SELL OR FURNISH ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR BETWEEN THE
- 3 HOURS OF 7 A.M. AND 12 NOON, EST, ON SUNDAY IF THAT LICENSEE HOLDS
- 4 A SUNDAY MORNING PERMIT ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION BY THE
- 5 COMMISSION. A CITY, VILLAGE, OR TOWNSHIP MAY PROHIBIT, BY
- 6 RESOLUTION, THE ISSUANCE OF A SUNDAY MORNING PERMIT TO ONLY ON-
- 7 PREMISES OR ONLY OFF-PREMISES LICENSEES OR MAY COMPLETELY PROHIBIT,
- 8 BY RESOLUTION, THE ISSUANCE OF A SUNDAY MORNING PERMIT TO ANY
- 9 LICENSEES.
- 10 (2) SUBJECT TO A RESOLUTION PROVIDING OTHERWISE, AN ON-
- 11 PREMISES OR OFF-PREMISES LICENSEE, OR BOTH, DESIRING TO SELL OR
- 12 FURNISH ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR ON SUNDAY FROM 7 A.M. UNTIL 12 NOON, EST,
- 13 SHALL APPLY TO THE COMMISSION FOR A SUNDAY MORNING PERMIT AND PAY
- 14 THE ADDITIONAL FEE DESCRIBED IN SECTION 525 FOR EACH APPLICATION. A
- 15 PERMIT ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION IS AN ADDENDUM TO EACH SPECIFIC
- 16 ON-PREMISES OR OFF-PREMISES LICENSE, AND A LICENSEE HOLDING MORE
- 17 THAN 1 LICENSE AT A SPECIFIC LOCATION SHALL SUBMIT A SEPARATE
- 18 APPLICATION AND PAY THE CORRESPONDING FEE FOR EACH PERMIT. SUBJECT
- 19 TO THE LICENSING QUALIFICATIONS IN THIS ACT AND RULES PROMULGATED
- 20 UNDER THIS ACT, THE COMMISSION SHALL ISSUE A SUNDAY MORNING PERMIT
- 21 TO AN APPLICANT NOT PROHIBITED UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES DESCRIBED IN
- 22 SUBSECTION (3).
- 23 (3) A SUNDAY MORNING PERMIT DOES NOT AUTHORIZE THE SERVING OF
- 24 ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR IN CONTRAVENTION OF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 25 (A) SECTION 1111 IF THE COUNTY, CITY, VILLAGE, OR TOWNSHIP
- 26 WHERE THE LICENSED PREMISES ARE LOCATED PROHIBITS THE SALE OF BEER
- 27 AND WINE FOR CONSUMPTION ON OR OFF LICENSED PREMISES BETWEEN THE

- 1 HOURS OF 2 A.M. AND 12 MIDNIGHT, EST, ON SUNDAY.
- 2 (B) SECTION 1113 IF THE COUNTY WHERE THE LICENSED PREMISES ARE
- 3 LOCATED HAS NOT AUTHORIZED THE SALE OF SPIRITS AND MIXED SPIRIT
- 4 DRINK FOR CONSUMPTION ON OR OFF LICENSED PREMISES, OR BOTH, BETWEEN
- 5 2 A.M. AND 12 MIDNIGHT, ON SUNDAY.
- 6 (C) A RESOLUTION PASSED BY THE CITY, VILLAGE, OR TOWNSHIP
- 7 WHERE THE LICENSED PREMISES ARE LOCATED PROHIBITING THE ISSUANCE OF
- 8 A SUNDAY MORNING PERMIT TO OFF-PREMISES OR ON-PREMISES LICENSEES,
- 9 OR BOTH.
- 10 (4) A COUNTY, CITY, VILLAGE, OR TOWNSHIP THAT HAS NOT
- 11 PROHIBITED THE SALE OF BEER AND WINE FOR CONSUMPTION ON OR OFF THE
- 12 LICENSED PREMISES BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 2 A.M. AND 12 MIDNIGHT UNDER
- 13 SECTION 1111 OR THAT HAS AUTHORIZED THE SALE OF SPIRITS AND MIXED
- 14 SPIRIT DRINK FOR CONSUMPTION ON OR OFF THE LICENSED PREMISES
- 15 BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 2 A.M. AND 12 MIDNIGHT UNDER SECTION 1113, OR
- 16 BOTH, IS NOT REQUIRED TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF A SUNDAY MORNING
- 17 PERMIT.
- 18 (5) THE ISSUANCE OF A SUNDAY MORNING PERMIT UNDER THIS SECTION
- 19 ONLY ALLOWS THE PERMIT HOLDER TO SELL OR FURNISH THE TYPE OF
- 20 ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR AUTHORIZED BY ITS LICENSE.
- 21 (6) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (3) (C), THE COMMISSION SHALL
- 22 ISSUE A SUNDAY MORNING PERMIT TO A MOTORSPORTS ENTERTAINMENT
- 23 COMPLEX APPLICANT HOLDING A LICENSE UNDER THIS ACT THAT SUBMITS THE
- 24 APPROPRIATE FEE AND COMPLETED APPLICATION. THE PERMIT SHALL BE
- 25 LIMITED ONLY TO THE TYPE OF ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR AND ON-PREMISES OR
- 26 OFF-PREMISES SERVICE, OR BOTH, THAT IS AUTHORIZED BY THE LICENSE
- 27 HELD BY THE MOTORSPORTS ENTERTAINMENT COMPLEX. AS USED IN THIS

- 1 SUBSECTION, "MOTORSPORTS ENTERTAINMENT COMPLEX" MEANS THAT TERM AS
- 2 DEFINED IN SECTION 518(1)(A).
- 3 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 60 days
- 4 after the date it is enacted.