

Legislative Analysis



TASTING ROOMS

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Senate Bill 897 as passed by the Senate
Sponsor: Sen. Kimberly LaSata
House Committee: Regulatory Reform
Senate Committee: Regulatory Reform
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SUMMARY:

Senate Bill 897 would amend the Michigan Liquor Control Code to allow a person to hold an on-premises tasting room permit and an off-premises tasting room license in conjunction at the same location under certain conditions.

Under the code, a person may be licensed as more than one type of manufacturer and, if the manufacturers are owned by the same person and their manufacturing premises share the same address, the manufacturers may jointly operate an on-premises tasting room or, if other than a brewer, micro brewer, or mixed spirit drink manufacturer, operate an off-premises tasting room.

The bill would allow an on-premises tasting room permit and an off-premises tasting room license to be held in conjunction at the same location by the same person if either of the following conditions were met:

- The person holds the on-premises tasting room permit in conjunction with a brewer or micro brewer license only and no other manufacturing license and the off-premises tasting room license at the same location.
- The person holds an on-premises tasting room permit in conjunction with a micro brewer, small distiller, or small wine maker license, or any combination of those licenses, and the off-premises tasting room license at the same location and the Michigan Liquor Control Commission issued to the person both the permit and the applicable licenses, or their equivalent at the time of issuance, before October 1, 2018.

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FISCAL IMPACT:

Senate Bill 897 would not have an appreciable fiscal impact on any unit of state or local government.

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