CHAPTER 289 (SB 215)

AN ACT relating to sales of alcoholic beverages.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 244 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

- (1) Manufacturers and importers of distilled spirits and wine may advertise and promote, by specific brand and bottle size, distilled spirits and wine for off-premises consumption by use of rebate coupons.
- (2) Rebate coupons are redeemable by the consumer at the point of purchase, or by mail-in certificate by which the consumer receives a cash refund or nonalcoholic beverage merchandise from the manufacturer, importer, or clearinghouse acting for the manufacturer or importer, upon submission by the consumer of the required proof of purchase.
- (3) Rebate coupons on malt beverages are prohibited.

Section 2. KRS 243.120 is amended to read as follows:

A distiller's, rectifier's, or vintner's license shall authorize the licensee to engage in the business of distiller, rectifier, or vintner at the premises specifically designated in the license, to maintain aging warehouses, and to transport for himself or herself only any alcoholic beverage which he or she is authorized under the license to manufacture or sell. The licensee shall transport alcoholic beverages only by a vehicle owned and operated by himself or herself, which has affixed to its sides at all times a sign of form and size prescribed by the state board, containing among other things the name and license number of the licensee. No distilled spirits or wine shall be transported on the same truck or vehicle with malt beverages, except by a common carrier, unless the owner of the truck or vehicle holds a distributor's license.

Section 3. KRS 244.260 is amended to read as follows:

[(1)]No wholesaler shall purchase, import, keep upon the licensed premises, or sell any distilled spirits or wine in any container except in the original sealed package containing quantities of not less than two hundred (200) milliliters each of distilled spirits or one hundred (100) milliliters of wine, and not exceeding 1.75 liters of distilled spirits or two hundred twenty (220) liters of wine, and fifty (50) milliliters of distilled spirits, as received from the distiller, rectifier, vintner, or wholesaler, as the case may be. The containers shall at all times have affixed to them all labels as may be required by the administrative regulations of the board, together with all necessary federal revenue and state excise tax stamps.

[(2) No wholesaler shall sell any distilled spirits or wine except in cases of containers of uniform size, except that wine may be sold in barrels or kegs. "Case" as used in this section means a carton of containers aggregating not less than six (6) liters nor more than twenty-four (24) liters of wine and distilled spirits, or case containing one hundred twenty (120) or two hundred forty (240) fifty (50) milliliter bottles of distilled spirits and wine.] Section 4. KRS 244.280 is amended to read as follows:

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[(1)] No licensee under KRS 243.030 nor any of his agents, servants, or employees shall peddle any alcoholic beverages from house to house, by any means, where the sale is consummated and delivery made concurrently at the residence or place of business of the consumer.

[(2) Deliveries shall not be made by holders of special agent's or solicitor's licenses.] Section

5. KRS 243.220 is amended to read as follows:

- (1) No license for the sale of alcoholic beverages at retail shall be issued for any premises unless the applicant for the license is the owner of the premises or is in possession of the premises under a written lease *or a permit* for a term of not less than the license period.
- (2) (a) No premises shall be licensed for the sale of alcoholic beverages at retail unless the licensed premises and the entrance to the premises are on the street level and located in a business center or on a main thorough fare.
 - (b) Paragraph (a) of this subsection shall not apply to a hotel, club or restaurant, if the club or restaurant receives a minimum of fifty percent (50%) of its income from the sale of food and has a minimum seating capacity of fifty (50) people at tables. In the cases described in this paragraph the administrator to whom the application is made may, in the exercise of his *or her* sound discretion, decide whether the premises are to be licensed.

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