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AN ACT

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To amend Chapter 1 of Title 25 of the District of Columbia Official Code to allow for a distillery pub permit for the on-site production of distilled spirits for consumption on-premises, to authorize the sale of distilled spirits in sealed bottles or other closed containers for off-premises consumption, and to provide that the sale of distilled spirits for off-premises consumption is limited to the hours between 7:00 a.m. and midnight, 7 days a week.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “Distillery Pub Licensure Act of 2013”.

Sec. 2. Chapter 1 of Title 25 of the District of Columbia Official Code is amended as follows:

(a) Section 25-101 is amended by adding a new paragraph (19A) to read as follows:

“(19A) “Distillery pub” means a craft distillery establishment for the manufacture, blending, and rectification of spirits to be sold for on-premises consumption only at the place of manufacture or to licensed wholesalers for the purpose of resale to other licensees, or patrons for off-premises consumption.”.

(b) A new section 25-125 is added to read as follows:

“§ 25-125. Distillery pub permit requirements and qualifications.

“(a) A distillery pub permit shall authorize the licensee to manufacture, blend, rectify, and store distilled spirits at one location from fruits, grains, neutral grain spirits, or distilled spirits transported from an area that produces distilled spirits to the licensed restaurant, tavern, multipurpose facility, hotel, or nightclub for on-premises consumption, and for sale to licensed wholesalers for the purpose of resale to other licensees.

“(b) A distillery pub permit shall be issued only to the licensee under an on-premises restaurant, tavern, multipurpose facility, hotel, or nightclub license, class C, in conjunction with the issuance of an on-premises restaurant, tavern, multipurpose facility, hotel, or nightclub license, class C.

“(c) The location used to manufacture or age distilled spirits shall be on or immediately adjacent to the restaurant, tavern, multipurpose facility, hotel, or nightclub licensed to the distillery pub owner in accordance with subsection (b) of this section.

“(d) The holder of a distillery pub permit may also sell distilled spirits to patrons in sealed bottles or other closed containers for off-premises consumption; provided, that such sales

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shall be limited to the hours between 7:00 a.m. and midnight, 7 days a week.

"(e) The minimum annual fee of the distillery pub permit shall be \$7,500.

"(f) A distillery pub permit shall be cancelled or revoked if:

"(1) The restaurant, tavern, multipurpose facility, hotel, or nightclub ceases to be operated as a restaurant, tavern, multipurpose facility, hotel, or nightclub; or

"(2) The licensee's on-premises retailer's license, class C, is revoked or cancelled.

"(g) A distillery pub permit shall be automatically suspended whenever and for the same period that the licensee's on-premises retailer's license, class C, is suspended."

Sec. 3. Fiscal impact statement.

The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement in the committee report as the fiscal impact statement required by section 602(c)(3) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(3)).

Sec. 4. Effective date.

This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of Congressional review as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)), and publication in the District of Columbia Register.

Chairman
Council of the District of Columbia

Mayor
District of Columbia