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**SENATE**: Yes

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#### P.L. 2007, CHAPTER 329, approved January 13, 2008 Assembly, No. 4025 (Second Reprint)

1 AN ACT concerning winemaking and amending R.S.33:1-10 and R.S.33:1-75.

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

1. R.S.33:1-10 is amended to read as follows:

33:1-10. Class A licenses shall be subdivided and classified as follows:

Plenary brewery license. 1a. The holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to rules and regulations, to brew any malt alcoholic beverages and to sell and distribute his products to wholesalers and retailers licensed in accordance with this chapter, and to sell and distribute without this State to any persons pursuant to the laws of the places of such sale and distribution, and to maintain a warehouse. The fee for this license shall be \$10,625.

Limited brewery license. 1b. The holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to rules and regulations, to brew any malt alcoholic beverages in a quantity to be expressed in said license, dependent upon the following fees and not in excess of 300,000 barrels of 31 fluid gallons capacity per year and to sell and distribute this product to wholesalers and retailers licensed in accordance with this chapter, and to sell and distribute without this State to any persons pursuant to the laws of the places of such sale and distribution, and to maintain a warehouse. The fee for this license shall be graduated as follows: to so brew not more than 50,000 barrels of 31 fluid gallons capacity per annum, \$1,250; to so brew not more than 100,000 barrels of 31 fluid gallons capacity per annum, \$2,500; to so brew not more than 200,000 barrels of 31 fluid gallons capacity per annum, \$5,000; to so brew not more than 300,000 barrels of 31 fluid gallons capacity per annum, \$7,500.

Restricted brewery license. 1c. The holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to rules and regulations, to brew any malt alcoholic beverages in a quantity to be expressed in such license not in excess of 3,000 barrels of 31 fluid gallons capacity per year. Notwithstanding the provisions of R.S.33:1-26, the director shall issue a restricted brewery license only to a person or an entity which has identical ownership to an entity which holds a plenary retail consumption license issued pursuant to R.S.33:1-12, provided that such plenary retail consumption license is operated in conjunction with a restaurant regularly and principally used for the

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Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Assembly ALP committee amendments adopted June 14, 2007.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Assembly ALP committee amendments adopted November 19, 2007.

1 purpose of providing meals to its customers and having adequate 2 kitchen and dining room facilities, and that the licensed restaurant 3 premises is immediately adjoining the premises licensed as a 4 restricted brewery. The holder of this license shall only be entitled 5 to sell or deliver the product to that restaurant premises. The fee for 6 this license shall be \$1,250, which fee shall entitle the holder to 7 brew up to 1,000 barrels of 31 fluid gallons per annum. 8 licensee also shall pay an additional \$625 for every additional 1,000 9 barrels of 31 fluid gallons produced. No more than two restricted 10 brewery licenses shall be issued to a person or entity which holds an 11 interest in a plenary retail consumption license. If the governing 12 body of the municipality in which the licensed premises will be located should file a written objection, the director shall hold a 13 14 hearing and may issue the license only if the director finds that the 15 issuance of the license will not be contrary to the public interest. 16 All fees related to the issuance of both licenses shall be paid in 17 accordance with statutory law.

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Plenary winery license. 2a. Provided that the holder is engaged in growing and cultivating grapes or fruit used in the production of wine on at least three acres on, or adjacent to, the winery premises, the holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to rules and regulations, to produce any fermented wines, and to blend, fortify and treat wines, and to sell and distribute his products to wholesalers and retailers licensed in accordance with this chapter and to churches for religious purposes, and to sell and distribute without this State to any persons pursuant to the laws of the places of such sale and distribution, and to maintain a warehouse, and to sell his products at retail to consumers on the licensed premises of the winery for consumption on or off the premises and to offer samples for sampling purposes only. The fee for this license shall be \$938. The holder of this license shall also have the right to sell such wine at retail in original packages in six salesrooms apart from the winery premises for consumption on or off the premises and for sampling purposes for consumption on the premises, at a fee of \$250 for each salesroom. Additionally, subject to rules and regulations, one salesroom per county may be jointly controlled and operated by at least two plenary or farm winery licensees for the sale of the products of any plenary or farm winery licensee for consumption on or off the premises and for consumption on the licensed premises for sampling purposes at an additional fee of \$625 per county salesroom. For the purposes of this subsection, "sampling" means the selling at a nominal charge or the gratuitous offering of an open container not exceeding one and one-half ounces of any wine.

For the purposes of this subsection, "product" means any wine that is produced, blended, fortified, or treated by the licensee on its licensed premises situated in the State of New Jersey.

Any holder of a plenary winery license who sold wine which was produced, bottled, and labelled by that holder in a place other than

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1 its licensed New Jersey premises between July 1, 1992 and June 30, 2 1993, may continue to sell that wine provided no more than 25,000 3 cases, each case consisting of 12 750 milliliter bottles or the 4 equivalent, are sold in any single license year. This privilege shall 5 terminate upon, and not survive, any transfer of the license to 6 another person or entity subsequent to the effective date of this 7 1993 amendatory act or any transfer of stock of the licensed 8 corporation other than to children, grandchildren, parents, spouses 9 or siblings of the existing stockholders.

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Farm winery license. 2b. The holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to rules and regulations, to manufacture any fermented wines and fruit juices in a quantity to be expressed in said license, dependent upon the following fees and not in excess of 50,000 gallons per year and to sell and distribute his products to wholesalers and retailers licensed in accordance with this chapter and to churches for religious purposes and to sell and distribute without this State to any persons pursuant to the laws of the places of such sale and distribution, and to maintain a warehouse and to sell at retail to consumers for consumption on or off the licensed premises and to offer samples for sampling purposes only. The license shall be issued only when the winery at which such fermented wines and fruit juices are manufactured is located and constructed upon a tract of land exclusively under the control of the licensee, provided that the licensee is actively engaged in growing and cultivating an area of not less than three acres on or adjacent to the winery premises and on which are growing grape vines or fruit to be processed into wine or fruit juice; and provided, further, that for the first five years of the operation of the winery such fermented wines and fruit juices shall be manufactured from at least 51% grapes or fruit grown in the State and that thereafter they shall be manufactured from grapes or fruit grown in this State at least to the extent required for labeling as "New Jersey Wine" under the applicable federal laws and regulations. The containers of all wine sold to consumers by such licensee shall have affixed a label stating such information as shall be required by the rules and regulations of the Director of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control. The fee for this license shall be graduated as follows: to so manufacture between 30,000 and 50,000 gallons per annum, \$375; to so manufacture between 2,500 and 30,000 gallons per annum, \$250; to so manufacture between 1,000 and 2,500 gallons per annum, \$125; to so manufacture less than 1,000 gallons per annum, \$63. No farm winery license shall be held by the holder of a plenary winery license or be situated on a premises licensed as a plenary winery.

The holder of this license shall also have the right to sell his products in original packages at retail to consumers in six salesrooms apart from the winery premises for consumption on or off the premises, and for sampling purposes for consumption on the premises, at a fee of \$250 for each salesroom. Additionally, subject to rules and regulations, one salesroom per county may be jointly

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1 controlled and operated by at least two plenary or farm winery 2 licensees for the sale of the products of any plenary or farm winery 3 licensee for consumption on or off the premises and for 4 consumption on the licensed premises for sampling purposes only, 5 at an additional fee of \$625 per county salesroom. For the purposes 6 of this subsection, "sampling" means the selling at a nominal charge 7 or the gratuitous offering of an open container not exceeding one 8 and one-half ounces of any wine.

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Unless otherwise indicated, for the purposes of this subsection, with respect to farm winery licenses, "manufacture" means the vinification, aging, storage, blending, clarification, stabilization and bottling of wine or juice from New Jersey fruit to the extent required by this subsection.

Wine blending license. 2c. The holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to rules and regulations, to blend, treat, mix, and bottle fermented wines and fruit juices with non-alcoholic beverages, and to sell and distribute his products to wholesalers and retailers licensed in accordance with this chapter, and to sell and distribute without this State to any persons pursuant to the laws of the places of such sale and distribution, and to maintain a warehouse. The fee for this license shall be \$625.

22 Instructional winemaking facility license. 2d. The holder of this 23 license shall be entitled, subject to rules and regulations, to instruct 24 persons in and provide them with the opportunity to participate 25 directly in the process of winemaking and to directly assist such persons in the process of winemaking while in the process of 26 27 instruction on the premises of the facility. The holder of this license also shall be entitled to manufacture wine on the premises 28 not in excess of an amount of <sup>2</sup>[20%] 10%<sup>2</sup> of the wine produced 29 annually on the premises of the facility, which shall be used only to 30 31 replace quantities lost or discarded during the winemaking process, to maintain a warehouse, and to offer samples <sup>2</sup>produced by persons 32 who have received instruction in winemaking on the premises by 33 the licensee<sup>2</sup> for sampling purposes only on <sup>2</sup>[and off]<sup>2</sup> the 34 licensed premises for the purpose of promoting winemaking for 35 36 personal or household use or consumption. Wine produced on the 37 premises of an instructional winemaking facility shall be used, 38 consumed or disposed of on the facility's premises <sup>2</sup>[or a premises utilized for sampling purposes]<sup>2</sup> or distributed from the facility's 39 premises to a person who has participated directly in the process of 40 41 winemaking for the person's personal or household use or 42 consumption. <sup>1</sup>[The holder of this license also shall be entitled to 43 serve alcoholic beverages for consumption at events held on the 44 premises of the facility for the purpose of promoting winemaking for personal or household use or consumption. I The holder of this 45 license may sell mercantile items traditionally associated with 46 47 winemaking and novelty wearing apparel identified with the name 48 of the establishment licensed under the provisions of this section. 1 <sup>2</sup>[Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit the] The<sup>2</sup>

holder of this license <sup>2</sup>[from permitting a person to] may use the

3 licensed premises for an event or affair, including an event or affair

4 at which a plenary retail consumption licensee serves alcoholic

5 <u>beverages in compliance with all applicable statutes and regulations</u>

promulgated by the director. The fee for this license shall be

<sup>2</sup>[established by the director] \$1,000<sup>2</sup>. For the purposes of this

subsection, "sampling" means the <sup>2</sup>[selling at a nominal charge or

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and one-half ounces of any wine.

Plenary distillery license. 3a. The holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to rules and regulations, to manufacture any distilled alcoholic beverages and rectify, blend, treat and mix, and to sell and distribute his products to wholesalers and retailers licensed in accordance with this chapter, and to sell and distribute without this State to any persons pursuant to the laws of the places of such sale and distribution, and to maintain a warehouse. The fee for this license shall be \$12,500.

Limited distillery license. 3b. The holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to rules and regulations, to manufacture and bottle any alcoholic beverages distilled from fruit juices and rectify, blend, treat, mix, compound with wine and add necessary sweetening and flavor to make cordial or liqueur, and to sell and distribute to wholesalers and retailers licensed in accordance with this chapter, and to sell and distribute without this State to any persons pursuant to the laws of the places of such sale and distribution and to warehouse these products. The fee for this license shall be \$3,750.

Supplementary limited distillery license. 3c. The holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to rules and regulations, to bottle and rebottle, in a quantity to be expressed in said license, dependent upon the following fees, alcoholic beverages distilled from fruit juices by such holder pursuant to a prior plenary or limited distillery license, and to sell and distribute his products to wholesalers and retailers licensed in accordance with this chapter, and to sell and distribute without this State to any persons pursuant to the laws of the places of such sale and distribution, and to maintain a warehouse. The fee for this license shall be graduated as follows: to so bottle and rebottle not more than 5,000 wine gallons per annum, \$313; to so bottle and rebottle not more than 10,000 wine gallons per annum, \$625; to so bottle and rebottle without limit as to amount, \$1,250.

Rectifier and blender license. 4. The holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to rules and regulations, to rectify, blend, treat and mix distilled alcoholic beverages, and to fortify, blend, and treat fermented alcoholic beverages, and prepare mixtures of alcoholic beverages, and to sell and distribute his products to wholesalers and retailers licensed in accordance with this chapter,

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and to sell and distribute without this State to any persons pursuant to the laws of the places of such sale and distribution, and to maintain a warehouse. The fee for this license shall be \$7,500.

Bonded warehouse bottling license. 5. The holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to rules and regulations, to bottle alcoholic beverages in bond on behalf of all persons authorized by federal and State law and regulations to withdraw alcoholic beverages from bond. The fee for this license shall be \$625. This license shall be issued only to persons holding permits to operate Internal Revenue bonded warehouses pursuant to the laws of the United States.

The provisions of section 21 of P.L.2003, c.117 amendatory of this section shall apply to licenses issued or transferred on or after July 1, 2003, and to license renewals commencing on or after July 1, 2003.

15 (cf: P.L.2004, c.102, s.1)

- 2. R.S.33:1-75 is amended to read as follows:
- 33:1-75. <u>a.</u> The director may, subject to rules and regulations, issue special permits authorizing the manufacture by a person who is 21 years of age or older, within a home or other noncommercial premises, of wines or malt alcoholic beverages in quantities not exceeding 200 gallons per calendar year for the person's personal or household use or consumption.
- b. The director may, subject to rules and regulations, issue special permits authorizing the manufacture of wines in an instructional winemaking facility by a person who is 21 years of age or older, residing within or without this State, in quantities not exceeding 200 gallons per calendar year for the person's personal or household use or consumption.
- <u>c.</u> The director shall, by regulation, establish a reasonable fee to cover the costs incurred in issuing the special permits required by this section.
- $\underline{d}$ . A person manufacturing wines or malt alcoholic beverages pursuant to this section shall not be liable for any tax imposed under the "Alcoholic beverage tax law," R.S.54:41-1 et seq.
- 36 (cf: P.L.1991, c.302, s.1)

3. This act shall take effect on the first day of the third month after enactment.

Creates new alcoholic beverage license for facilities that teach winemaking.

### ASSEMBLY, No. 4025

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY

### 212th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 26, 2007

Sponsored by:

Assemblywoman JOAN M. QUIGLEY
District 32 (Bergen and Hudson)
Assemblyman JOSEPH J. ROBERTS, JR.
District 5 (Camden and Gloucester)
Assemblyman VINCENT PRIETO
District 32 (Bergen and Hudson)

#### **SYNOPSIS**

Creates new alcoholic beverage license for facilities that teach winemaking.

#### **CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



**AN ACT** concerning winemaking and amending R.S.33:1-10 and R.S.33:1-75.

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

1. R.S.33:1-10 is amended to read as follows:

33:1-10. Class A licenses shall be subdivided and classified as follows:

Plenary brewery license. 1a. The holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to rules and regulations, to brew any malt alcoholic beverages and to sell and distribute his products to wholesalers and retailers licensed in accordance with this chapter, and to sell and distribute without this State to any persons pursuant to the laws of the places of such sale and distribution, and to maintain a warehouse. The fee for this license shall be \$10,625.

Limited brewery license. 1b. The holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to rules and regulations, to brew any malt alcoholic beverages in a quantity to be expressed in said license, dependent upon the following fees and not in excess of 300,000 barrels of 31 fluid gallons capacity per year and to sell and distribute this product to wholesalers and retailers licensed in accordance with this chapter, and to sell and distribute without this State to any persons pursuant to the laws of the places of such sale and distribution, and to maintain a warehouse. The fee for this license shall be graduated as follows: to so brew not more than 50,000 barrels of 31 fluid gallons capacity per annum, \$1,250; to so brew not more than 100,000 barrels of 31 fluid gallons capacity per annum, \$2,500; to so brew not more than 200,000 barrels of 31 fluid gallons capacity per annum, \$5,000; to so brew not more than 300,000 barrels of 31 fluid gallons capacity per annum, \$5,000; to so brew not more than 300,000 barrels of 31 fluid gallons capacity per annum, \$5,000; to so brew not more than 300,000 barrels of 31 fluid gallons capacity per annum, \$7,500.

Restricted brewery license. 1c. The holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to rules and regulations, to brew any malt alcoholic beverages in a quantity to be expressed in such license not in excess of 3,000 barrels of 31 fluid gallons capacity per year. Notwithstanding the provisions of R.S.33:1-26, the director shall issue a restricted brewery license only to a person or an entity which has identical ownership to an entity which holds a plenary retail consumption license issued pursuant to R.S.33:1-12, provided that such plenary retail consumption license is operated in conjunction with a restaurant regularly and principally used for the purpose of providing meals to its customers and having adequate kitchen and dining room facilities, and that the licensed restaurant premises is immediately adjoining the premises licensed as a restricted brewery. The holder of this license shall only be entitled

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1 to sell or deliver the product to that restaurant premises. The fee for 2 this license shall be \$1,250, which fee shall entitle the holder to 3 brew up to 1,000 barrels of 31 fluid gallons per annum. 4 licensee also shall pay an additional \$625 for every additional 1,000 5 barrels of 31 fluid gallons produced. No more than two restricted 6 brewery licenses shall be issued to a person or entity which holds an 7 interest in a plenary retail consumption license. If the governing 8 body of the municipality in which the licensed premises will be 9 located should file a written objection, the director shall hold a 10 hearing and may issue the license only if the director finds that the 11 issuance of the license will not be contrary to the public interest. 12 All fees related to the issuance of both licenses shall be paid in 13 accordance with statutory law.

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Plenary winery license. 2a. Provided that the holder is engaged in growing and cultivating grapes or fruit used in the production of wine on at least three acres on, or adjacent to, the winery premises, the holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to rules and regulations, to produce any fermented wines, and to blend, fortify and treat wines, and to sell and distribute his products to wholesalers and retailers licensed in accordance with this chapter and to churches for religious purposes, and to sell and distribute without this State to any persons pursuant to the laws of the places of such sale and distribution, and to maintain a warehouse, and to sell his products at retail to consumers on the licensed premises of the winery for consumption on or off the premises and to offer samples for sampling purposes only. The fee for this license shall be \$938. The holder of this license shall also have the right to sell such wine at retail in original packages in six salesrooms apart from the winery premises for consumption on or off the premises and for sampling purposes for consumption on the premises, at a fee of \$250 for each salesroom. Additionally, subject to rules and regulations, one salesroom per county may be jointly controlled and operated by at least two plenary or farm winery licensees for the sale of the products of any plenary or farm winery licensee for consumption on or off the premises and for consumption on the licensed premises for sampling purposes at an additional fee of \$625 per county salesroom. For the purposes of this subsection, "sampling" means the selling at a nominal charge or the gratuitous offering of an open container not exceeding one and one-half ounces of any wine.

For the purposes of this subsection, "product" means any wine that is produced, blended, fortified, or treated by the licensee on its licensed premises situated in the State of New Jersey.

Any holder of a plenary winery license who sold wine which was produced, bottled, and labelled by that holder in a place other than its licensed New Jersey premises between July 1, 1992 and June 30, 1993, may continue to sell that wine provided no more than 25,000 cases, each case consisting of 12 750 milliliter bottles or the

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equivalent, are sold in any single license year. This privilege shall terminate upon, and not survive, any transfer of the license to another person or entity subsequent to the effective date of this 1993 amendatory act or any transfer of stock of the licensed corporation other than to children, grandchildren, parents, spouses or siblings of the existing stockholders.

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Farm winery license. 2b. The holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to rules and regulations, to manufacture any fermented wines and fruit juices in a quantity to be expressed in said license, dependent upon the following fees and not in excess of 50,000 gallons per year and to sell and distribute his products to wholesalers and retailers licensed in accordance with this chapter and to churches for religious purposes and to sell and distribute without this State to any persons pursuant to the laws of the places of such sale and distribution, and to maintain a warehouse and to sell at retail to consumers for consumption on or off the licensed premises and to offer samples for sampling purposes only. The license shall be issued only when the winery at which such fermented wines and fruit juices are manufactured is located and constructed upon a tract of land exclusively under the control of the licensee, provided that the licensee is actively engaged in growing and cultivating an area of not less than three acres on or adjacent to the winery premises and on which are growing grape vines or fruit to be processed into wine or fruit juice; and provided, further, that for the first five years of the operation of the winery such fermented wines and fruit juices shall be manufactured from at least 51% grapes or fruit grown in the State and that thereafter they shall be manufactured from grapes or fruit grown in this State at least to the extent required for labeling as "New Jersey Wine" under the applicable federal laws and regulations. The containers of all wine sold to consumers by such licensee shall have affixed a label stating such information as shall be required by the rules and regulations of the Director of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control. The fee for this license shall be graduated as follows: to so manufacture between 30,000 and 50,000 gallons per annum, \$375; to so manufacture between 2,500 and 30,000 gallons per annum, \$250; to so manufacture between 1,000 and 2,500 gallons per annum, \$125; to so manufacture less than 1,000 gallons per annum, \$63. No farm winery license shall be held by the holder of a plenary winery license or be situated on a premises licensed as a plenary winery.

The holder of this license shall also have the right to sell his products in original packages at retail to consumers in six salesrooms apart from the winery premises for consumption on or off the premises, and for sampling purposes for consumption on the premises, at a fee of \$250 for each salesroom. Additionally, subject to rules and regulations, one salesroom per county may be jointly controlled and operated by at least two plenary or farm winery licensees for the sale of the products of any plenary or farm winery

licensee for consumption on or off the premises and for consumption on the licensed premises for sampling purposes only, at an additional fee of \$625 per county salesroom. For the purposes of this subsection, "sampling" means the selling at a nominal charge or the gratuitous offering of an open container not exceeding one and one-half ounces of any wine.

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Wine blending license. 2c. The holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to rules and regulations, to blend, treat, mix, and bottle fermented wines and fruit juices with non-alcoholic beverages, and to sell and distribute his products to wholesalers and retailers licensed in accordance with this chapter, and to sell and distribute without this State to any persons pursuant to the laws of the places of such sale and distribution, and to maintain a warehouse. The fee for this license shall be \$625.

<u>Instructional winemaking facility license.</u> 2d. The holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to rules and regulations, to instruct persons in and provide them with the opportunity to participate directly in the process of winemaking and to directly assist such persons in the process of winemaking while in the process of instruction on the premises of the facility. The holder of this license also shall be entitled to manufacture wine on the premises not in excess of an amount of 20% of the wine produced annually on the premises of the facility, which shall be used only to replace quantities lost or discarded during the winemaking process, to maintain a warehouse, and to offer samples for sampling purposes only on and off the licensed premises for the purpose of promoting winemaking for personal or household use or consumption. Wine produced on the premises of an instructional winemaking facility shall be used, consumed or disposed of on the facility's premises or a premises utilized for sampling purposes or distributed from the facility's premises to a person who has participated directly in the process of winemaking for the person's personal or household use or consumption. The holder of this license also shall be entitled to serve alcoholic beverages for consumption at events held on the premises of the facility for the purpose of promoting winemaking for personal or household use or consumption. The holder of this license may sell mercantile items traditionally associated with winemaking and novelty wearing apparel identified with the name of the establishment licensed under the provisions of this section. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit the holder of this license from permitting a person to use the licensed premises for an event or affair, including an event or affair at which a plenary retail consumption licensee serves alcoholic beverages in

1 compliance with all applicable statutes and regulations promulgated 2 by the director. The fee for this license shall be established by the 3 director. For the purposes of this subsection, "sampling" means the 4 selling at a nominal charge or the gratuitous offering of an open 5 container not exceeding one and one-half ounces of any wine.

Plenary distillery license. 3a. The holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to rules and regulations, to manufacture any distilled alcoholic beverages and rectify, blend, treat and mix, and to sell and distribute his products to wholesalers and retailers licensed in accordance with this chapter, and to sell and distribute without this State to any persons pursuant to the laws of the places of such sale and distribution, and to maintain a warehouse. The fee

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Limited distillery license. 3b. The holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to rules and regulations, to manufacture and bottle any alcoholic beverages distilled from fruit juices and rectify, blend, treat, mix, compound with wine and add necessary sweetening and flavor to make cordial or liqueur, and to sell and distribute to wholesalers and retailers licensed in accordance with this chapter, and to sell and distribute without this State to any persons pursuant to the laws of the places of such sale and distribution and to warehouse these products. The fee for this license shall be \$3,750.

Supplementary limited distillery license. 3c. The holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to rules and regulations, to bottle and rebottle, in a quantity to be expressed in said license, dependent upon the following fees, alcoholic beverages distilled from fruit juices by such holder pursuant to a prior plenary or limited distillery license, and to sell and distribute his products to wholesalers and retailers licensed in accordance with this chapter, and to sell and distribute without this State to any persons pursuant to the laws of the places of such sale and distribution, and to maintain a warehouse. The fee for this license shall be graduated as follows: to so bottle and rebottle not more than 5,000 wine gallons per annum, \$313; to so bottle and rebottle not more than 10,000 wine gallons per annum, \$625; to so bottle and rebottle without limit as to amount, \$1,250.

Rectifier and blender license. 4. The holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to rules and regulations, to rectify, blend, treat and mix distilled alcoholic beverages, and to fortify, blend, and treat fermented alcoholic beverages, and prepare mixtures of alcoholic beverages, and to sell and distribute his products to wholesalers and retailers licensed in accordance with this chapter, and to sell and distribute without this State to any persons pursuant to the laws of the places of such sale and distribution, and to maintain a warehouse. The fee for this license shall be \$7,500.

Bonded warehouse bottling license. 5. The holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to rules and regulations, to bottle alcoholic

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- beverages in bond on behalf of all persons authorized by federal and State law and regulations to withdraw alcoholic beverages from bond. The fee for this license shall be \$625. This license shall be issued only to persons holding permits to operate Internal Revenue
- 5 bonded warehouses pursuant to the laws of the United States.

The provisions of section 21 of P.L.2003, c.117 amendatory of this section shall apply to licenses issued or transferred on or after July 1, 2003, and to license renewals commencing on or after July 1, 2003.

10 (cf: P.L.2004, c.102, s.1)

- 2. R.S.33:1-75 is amended to read as follows:
- 33:1-75. <u>a.</u> The director may, subject to rules and regulations, issue special permits authorizing the manufacture by a person who is 21 years of age or older, within a home or other noncommercial premises, of wines or malt alcoholic beverages in quantities not exceeding 200 gallons per calendar year for the person's personal or household use or consumption.
- b. The director may, subject to rules and regulations, issue special permits authorizing the manufacture of wines in an instructional winemaking facility by a person who is 21 years of age or older, residing within or without this State, in quantities not exceeding 200 gallons per calendar year for the person's personal or household use or consumption.
- <u>c.</u> The director shall, by regulation, establish a reasonable fee to cover the costs incurred in issuing the special permits required by this section.
- <u>d.</u> A person manufacturing wines or malt alcoholic beverages pursuant to this section shall not be liable for any tax imposed under the "Alcoholic beverage tax law," R.S.54:41-1 et seq.

(cf: P.L.1991, c.302, s.1)

3. This act shall take effect on the first day of the third month after enactment.

#### **STATEMENT**

This bill creates a new "Instructional Winemaking Facility License" to be issued to facilities that teach winemaking. The holder of this license may instruct persons in and provide them with the opportunity to participate directly in the process of winemaking, and assist them in that process, on the premises of the facility. The fee for this license is to be established by the Director of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control.

The bill also permits the holder to manufacture a limited amount of wine on the premises to be used only to replace quantities lost or discarded during winemaking and to offer samples for sampling purposes on and off the licensed premises for the purpose of promoting winemaking for personal use or consumption.

Wine produced on the premises of an instructional winemaking facility is to be used only on the facility's premises or a premises utilized for sampling or distributed to a person who has participated in winemaking for that person's own household or personal use.

The bill also permits the license holder to serve alcoholic beverages for consumption at events, sponsored by the license holder or another person, held on the premises of the facility for the purpose of promoting winemaking for personal or household use and consumption. The bill further permits the use of the facility by a person other than the licensee for an event or affair, including events and affairs at which a plenary retail consumption licensee (e.g. a caterer) serves alcoholic beverages in compliance with all applicable statutes and regulations.

Under current law (R.S.33:1-75), a person age 21 or older may manufacture up to 200 gallons of wine annually at home or on a commercial premises. At present, the director will not issue this permit to persons who are not New Jersey residents. This bill authorizes the director to issue a permit to manufacture wine on the premises of an instructional winemaking facility to persons who reside in New Jersey or any other state.

#### ASSEMBLY LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

#### STATEMENT TO

#### ASSEMBLY, No. 4025

with committee amendments

### STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 14, 2007

The Assembly Law and Public Safety Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Assembly Bill No. 4025.

As amended and reported by the committee, Assembly Bill No. 4025 creates a new "Instructional Winemaking Facility License" to be issued to facilities that teach winemaking.

Under the amended bill, the holder of this license may instruct persons in and provide them with the opportunity to participate directly in the process of winemaking, and assist them in that process, on the premises of the facility. The fee for this license is to be established by the Director of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control.

The amended bill also permits the license holder to manufacture a limited amount of wine on the premises to be used only to replace quantities lost or discarded during winemaking and to offer samples for sampling purposes on and off the licensed premises for the purpose of promoting winemaking for personal use or consumption.

Wine produced on the premises of an instructional winemaking facility is to be used only on the facility's premises or a premises utilized for sampling or distributed to a person who has participated in winemaking for that person's own household or personal use.

The amended bill further permits the use of the facility by a person other than the licensee for an event or affair, including events and affairs at which a plenary retail consumption licensee (e.g., a caterer) serves alcoholic beverages in compliance with all applicable statutes and regulations. The licensee also may sell mercantile items associated with winemaking and novelty apparel identifying the establishment.

Under current law (R.S.33:1-75), a person 21 years of age or older may manufacture up to 200 gallons of wine annually at home or on a commercial premises. At present, the director will not issue this permit to persons who are not New Jersey residents. The amended bill authorizes the director to issue a permit to manufacture wine on the premises of an instructional winemaking facility to persons who reside in this State or any other state.

#### **COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:**

The committee amended the bill to remove a provision that would have permitted the licensee to serve alcoholic beverages for consumption at events held on the premises of the facility for the purpose of promoting winemaking for personal or household use or consumption.

#### ASSEMBLY LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

#### STATEMENT TO

# [First Reprint] ASSEMBLY, No. 4025

with committee amendments

### STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: NOVEMBER 19, 2007

The Assembly Law and Public Safety Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Assembly Bill No. 4025 (1R).

Assembly Bill No. 4025 (1R) creates a new "Instructional Winemaking Facility License" to be issued to facilities that teach winemaking.

As amended and reported by the committee, the bill permits the holder of this license to instruct persons in and provide them with the opportunity to participate directly in the process of winemaking, and assist them in that process, on the premises of the facility. The fee for this license was to be established by the Director of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control, but under the amended bill the fee for the license is set at \$1,000.

As amended, the bill also reduces the amount of wine the license holder may manufacture on the premises from not in excess of 20% to not in excess of 10% of the wine annually produced to be used only to replace quantities lost or discarded during winemaking.

The committee also amended the bill to clarify that the license holder may use the licensed premises for events or affairs at which a Class C retail licensee serves alcoholic beverages in compliance with New Jersey statutes and regulations.

The amended bill also permits the license holder to offer samples for sampling purposes on, but not off, the licensed premises for the purpose of promoting winemaking for personal use or consumption. Only wines which have been produced by students on the premises of the instructional winemaking facility may be offered as samples and those samples may only be offered gratuitously.

#### **COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:**

The committee amended the bill to:

- (1) reduce the amount of wine the license holder may manufacture on the premises from not in excess of 20% to not in excess of 10% of the wine annually produced;
- (2) clarify that only samples produced by persons who have received instruction in winemaking on the premises may be offered;

- (3) clarify that these samples may only be offered on the premises, but not off the premises and delete language obviated by this restriction specifying that a sample could be consumed or disposed of on a premises utilized for sampling purposes other than the facility's premises;
- (4) clarify that the license holder may use the licensed premises for events or affairs at which a Class C retail licensee serves alcoholic beverages in compliance with New Jersey statutes and regulations;
- (5) establish that the fee for the license would be \$1,000, rather than a fee set by the Director of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control; and
- (6) permit licensees to gratuitously offer samples, but not allow them to sell samples for a nominal charge.

### **SENATE, No. 2847**

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY

### 212th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED JUNE 21, 2007

Sponsored by: Senator JOSEPH V. DORIA, JR. District 31 (Hudson) Senator LORETTA WEINBERG District 37 (Bergen)

#### **SYNOPSIS**

Creates new alcoholic beverage license for facilities that teach winemaking.

#### **CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 11/9/2007)

1 AN ACT concerning winemaking and amending R.S.33:1-10 and 2 R.S.33:1-75.

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BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

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1. R.S.33:1-10 is amended to read as follows:

33:1-10. Class A licenses shall be subdivided and classified as follows:

Plenary brewery license. 1a. The holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to rules and regulations, to brew any malt alcoholic beverages and to sell and distribute his products to wholesalers and retailers licensed in accordance with this chapter, and to sell and distribute without this State to any persons pursuant to the laws of the places of such sale and distribution, and to maintain a warehouse. The fee for this license shall be \$10,625.

Limited brewery license. 1b. The holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to rules and regulations, to brew any malt alcoholic beverages in a quantity to be expressed in said license, dependent upon the following fees and not in excess of 300,000 barrels of 31 fluid gallons capacity per year and to sell and distribute this product to wholesalers and retailers licensed in accordance with this chapter, and to sell and distribute without this State to any persons pursuant to the laws of the places of such sale and distribution, and to maintain a warehouse. The fee for this license shall be graduated as follows: to so brew not more than 50,000 barrels of 31 fluid gallons capacity per annum, \$1,250; to so brew not more than 100,000 barrels of 31 fluid gallons capacity per annum, \$2,500; to so brew not more than 200,000 barrels of 31 fluid gallons capacity per annum, \$5,000; to so brew not more than 300,000 barrels of 31 fluid gallons capacity per annum, \$7,500.

Restricted brewery license. 1c. The holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to rules and regulations, to brew any malt alcoholic beverages in a quantity to be expressed in such license not in excess of 3,000 barrels of 31 fluid gallons capacity per year. Notwithstanding the provisions of R.S.33:1-26, the director shall issue a restricted brewery license only to a person or an entity which has identical ownership to an entity which holds a plenary retail consumption license issued pursuant to R.S.33:1-12, provided that such plenary retail consumption license is operated in conjunction with a restaurant regularly and principally used for the purpose of providing meals to its customers and having adequate kitchen and dining room facilities, and that the licensed restaurant premises is immediately adjoining the premises licensed as a restricted brewery. The holder of this license shall only be entitled

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

1 to sell or deliver the product to that restaurant premises. The fee for 2 this license shall be \$1,250, which fee shall entitle the holder to 3 brew up to 1,000 barrels of 31 fluid gallons per annum. 4 licensee also shall pay an additional \$625 for every additional 1,000 5 barrels of 31 fluid gallons produced. No more than two restricted 6 brewery licenses shall be issued to a person or entity which holds an 7 interest in a plenary retail consumption license. If the governing 8 body of the municipality in which the licensed premises will be 9 located should file a written objection, the director shall hold a 10 hearing and may issue the license only if the director finds that the 11 issuance of the license will not be contrary to the public interest. 12 All fees related to the issuance of both licenses shall be paid in 13 accordance with statutory law.

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Plenary winery license. 2a. Provided that the holder is engaged in growing and cultivating grapes or fruit used in the production of wine on at least three acres on, or adjacent to, the winery premises, the holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to rules and regulations, to produce any fermented wines, and to blend, fortify and treat wines, and to sell and distribute his products to wholesalers and retailers licensed in accordance with this chapter and to churches for religious purposes, and to sell and distribute without this State to any persons pursuant to the laws of the places of such sale and distribution, and to maintain a warehouse, and to sell his products at retail to consumers on the licensed premises of the winery for consumption on or off the premises and to offer samples for sampling purposes only. The fee for this license shall be \$938. The holder of this license shall also have the right to sell such wine at retail in original packages in six salesrooms apart from the winery premises for consumption on or off the premises and for sampling purposes for consumption on the premises, at a fee of \$250 for each salesroom. Additionally, subject to rules and regulations, one salesroom per county may be jointly controlled and operated by at least two plenary or farm winery licensees for the sale of the products of any plenary or farm winery licensee for consumption on or off the premises and for consumption on the licensed premises for sampling purposes at an additional fee of \$625 per county salesroom. For the purposes of this subsection, "sampling" means the selling at a nominal charge or the gratuitous offering of an open container not exceeding one and one-half ounces of any wine.

For the purposes of this subsection, "product" means any wine that is produced, blended, fortified, or treated by the licensee on its licensed premises situated in the State of New Jersey.

Any holder of a plenary winery license who sold wine which was produced, bottled, and labelled by that holder in a place other than its licensed New Jersey premises between July 1, 1992 and June 30, 1993, may continue to sell that wine provided no more than 25,000 cases, each case consisting of 12 750 milliliter bottles or the

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equivalent, are sold in any single license year. This privilege shall terminate upon, and not survive, any transfer of the license to another person or entity subsequent to the effective date of this 1993 amendatory act or any transfer of stock of the licensed corporation other than to children, grandchildren, parents, spouses or siblings of the existing stockholders.

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Farm winery license. 2b. The holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to rules and regulations, to manufacture any fermented wines and fruit juices in a quantity to be expressed in said license, dependent upon the following fees and not in excess of 50,000 gallons per year and to sell and distribute his products to wholesalers and retailers licensed in accordance with this chapter and to churches for religious purposes and to sell and distribute without this State to any persons pursuant to the laws of the places of such sale and distribution, and to maintain a warehouse and to sell at retail to consumers for consumption on or off the licensed premises and to offer samples for sampling purposes only. The license shall be issued only when the winery at which such fermented wines and fruit juices are manufactured is located and constructed upon a tract of land exclusively under the control of the licensee, provided that the licensee is actively engaged in growing and cultivating an area of not less than three acres on or adjacent to the winery premises and on which are growing grape vines or fruit to be processed into wine or fruit juice; and provided, further, that for the first five years of the operation of the winery such fermented wines and fruit juices shall be manufactured from at least 51% grapes or fruit grown in the State and that thereafter they shall be manufactured from grapes or fruit grown in this State at least to the extent required for labeling as "New Jersey Wine" under the applicable federal laws and regulations. The containers of all wine sold to consumers by such licensee shall have affixed a label stating such information as shall be required by the rules and regulations of the Director of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control. The fee for this license shall be graduated as follows: to so manufacture between 30,000 and 50,000 gallons per annum, \$375; to so manufacture between 2,500 and 30,000 gallons per annum, \$250; to so manufacture between 1,000 and 2,500 gallons per annum, \$125; to so manufacture less than 1,000 gallons per annum, \$63. No farm winery license shall be held by the holder of a plenary winery license or be situated on a premises licensed as a plenary winery.

The holder of this license shall also have the right to sell his products in original packages at retail to consumers in six salesrooms apart from the winery premises for consumption on or off the premises, and for sampling purposes for consumption on the premises, at a fee of \$250 for each salesroom. Additionally, subject to rules and regulations, one salesroom per county may be jointly controlled and operated by at least two plenary or farm winery licensees for the sale of the products of any plenary or farm winery

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licensee for consumption on or off the premises and for consumption on the licensed premises for sampling purposes only, at an additional fee of \$625 per county salesroom. For the purposes of this subsection, "sampling" means the selling at a nominal charge or the gratuitous offering of an open container not exceeding one and one-half ounces of any wine.

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Unless otherwise indicated, for the purposes of this subsection, with respect to farm winery licenses, "manufacture" means the vinification, aging, storage, blending, clarification, stabilization and bottling of wine or juice from New Jersey fruit to the extent required by this subsection.

Wine blending license. 2c. The holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to rules and regulations, to blend, treat, mix, and bottle fermented wines and fruit juices with non-alcoholic beverages, and to sell and distribute his products to wholesalers and retailers licensed in accordance with this chapter, and to sell and distribute without this State to any persons pursuant to the laws of the places of such sale and distribution, and to maintain a warehouse. The fee for this license shall be \$625.

<u>Instructional winemaking facility license.</u> 2d. The holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to rules and regulations, to instruct persons in and provide them with the opportunity to participate directly in the process of winemaking and to directly assist such persons in the process of winemaking while in the process of instruction on the premises of the facility. The holder of this license also shall be entitled to manufacture wine on the premises not in excess of an amount of 20% of the wine produced annually on the premises of the facility, which shall be used only to replace quantities lost or discarded during the winemaking process, to maintain a warehouse, and to offer samples for sampling purposes only on and off the licensed premises for the purpose of promoting winemaking for personal or household use or consumption. Wine produced on the premises of an instructional winemaking facility shall be used, consumed or disposed of on the facility's premises or a premises utilized for sampling purposes or distributed from the facility's premises to a person who has participated directly in the process of winemaking for the person's personal or household use or consumption. The holder of this license may sell mercantile items traditionally associated with winemaking and novelty wearing apparel identified with the name of the establishment licensed under the provisions of this section. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit the holder of this license from permitting a person to use the licensed premises for an event or affair, including an event or affair at which a plenary retail consumption licensee serves alcoholic beverages in compliance with all applicable statutes and regulations promulgated by the director. The fee for this license shall be established by the director. For the purposes of this subsection, "sampling" means the selling at a nominal charge or

the gratuitous offering of an open container not exceeding one and
 one-half ounces of any wine.

Plenary distillery license. 3a. The holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to rules and regulations, to manufacture any distilled alcoholic beverages and rectify, blend, treat and mix, and to sell and distribute his products to wholesalers and retailers licensed in accordance with this chapter, and to sell and distribute without this State to any persons pursuant to the laws of the places of such sale and distribution, and to maintain a warehouse. The fee for this license shall be \$12,500.

Limited distillery license. 3b. The holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to rules and regulations, to manufacture and bottle any alcoholic beverages distilled from fruit juices and rectify, blend, treat, mix, compound with wine and add necessary sweetening and flavor to make cordial or liqueur, and to sell and distribute to wholesalers and retailers licensed in accordance with this chapter, and to sell and distribute without this State to any persons pursuant to the laws of the places of such sale and distribution and to warehouse these products. The fee for this license shall be \$3,750.

Supplementary limited distillery license. 3c. The holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to rules and regulations, to bottle and rebottle, in a quantity to be expressed in said license, dependent upon the following fees, alcoholic beverages distilled from fruit juices by such holder pursuant to a prior plenary or limited distillery license, and to sell and distribute his products to wholesalers and retailers licensed in accordance with this chapter, and to sell and distribute without this State to any persons pursuant to the laws of the places of such sale and distribution, and to maintain a warehouse. The fee for this license shall be graduated as follows: to so bottle and rebottle not more than 5,000 wine gallons per annum, \$313; to so bottle and rebottle not more than 10,000 wine gallons per annum, \$625; to so bottle and rebottle without limit as to amount, \$1,250.

Rectifier and blender license. 4. The holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to rules and regulations, to rectify, blend, treat and mix distilled alcoholic beverages, and to fortify, blend, and treat fermented alcoholic beverages, and prepare mixtures of alcoholic beverages, and to sell and distribute his products to wholesalers and retailers licensed in accordance with this chapter, and to sell and distribute without this State to any persons pursuant to the laws of the places of such sale and distribution, and to maintain a warehouse. The fee for this license shall be \$7,500.

Bonded warehouse bottling license. 5. The holder of this license shall be entitled, subject to rules and regulations, to bottle alcoholic beverages in bond on behalf of all persons authorized by federal and State law and regulations to withdraw alcoholic beverages from bond. The fee for this license shall be \$625. This license shall be

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3 The provisions of section 21 of P.L.2003, c.117 amendatory of 4 this section shall apply to licenses issued or transferred on or after 5 July 1, 2003, and to license renewals commencing on or after July 6 1, 2003.

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- 33:1-75. a. The director may, subject to rules and regulations, issue special permits authorizing the manufacture by a person who is 21 years of age or older, within a home or other noncommercial premises, of wines or malt alcoholic beverages in quantities not exceeding 200 gallons per calendar year for the person's personal or household use or consumption.
- b. The director may, subject to rules and regulations, issue special permits authorizing the manufacture of wines in an instructional winemaking facility by a person who is 21 years of age or older, residing within or without this State, in quantities not exceeding 200 gallons per calendar year for the person's personal or household use or consumption.
- c. The director shall, by regulation, establish a reasonable fee to cover the costs incurred in issuing the special permits required by this section.
- <u>d.</u> A person manufacturing wines or malt alcoholic beverages pursuant to this section shall not be liable for any tax imposed under the "Alcoholic beverage tax law," R.S.54:41-1 et seq.

(cf: P.L.1991, c.302, s.1)

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This act shall take effect on the first day of the third month after enactment.

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The bill also permits the holder to manufacture a limited amount of wine on the premises to be used only to replace quantities lost or discarded during winemaking and to offer samples for sampling purposes on and off the licensed premises for the purpose of promoting winemaking for personal use or consumption.

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Wine produced on the premises of an instructional winemaking facility is to be used only on the facility's premises or a premises utilized for sampling or distributed to a person who has participated in winemaking for that person's own household or personal use.

The bill permits the use of the instructional winemaking facility by a person other than the licensee for an event or affair, including events and affairs at which a plenary retail consumption licensee (e.g. a caterer) serves alcoholic beverages in compliance with all applicable statutes and regulations.

Under current law (R.S.33:1-75), a person age 21 or older may manufacture up to 200 gallons of wine annually at home or on a commercial premises. At present, the director will not issue this permit to persons who are not New Jersey residents. This bill authorizes the director to issue a permit to manufacture wine on the premises of an instructional winemaking facility to persons who reside in New Jersey or any other state.

# SENATE LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

#### STATEMENT TO

#### **SENATE, No. 2847**

with committee amendments

### STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 17, 2007

The Senate Law and Public Safety and Veterans' Affairs Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Senate Bill No. 2847.

This bill creates a new "Instructional Winemaking Facility License" to be issued to facilities that teach winemaking.

As amended by the committee, the bill permits the holder of this license to instruct persons in and provide them with the opportunity to participate directly in the process of winemaking, and assist them in that process, on the premises of the facility. The fee for this license was to be established by the Director of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control, but under the amended bill the fee for the license is set at \$1,000.

As amended, the bill also reduces the amount of wine the license holder may manufacture on the premises from not in excess of 20% to not in excess of 10% of the wine annually produced to be used only to replace quantities lost or discarded during winemaking.

The committee also amended the bill to clarify that the license holder may use the licensed premises for events or affairs at which a Class C retail licensee serves alcoholic beverages in compliance with New Jersey statutes and regulations.

The amended bill also permits the license holder to offer samples for sampling purposes on, but not off, the licensed premises for the purpose of promoting winemaking for personal use or consumption. Only wines which have been produced by students on the premises of the instructional winemaking facility may be offered as samples and those samples may only be offered gratuitously.

The committee amended the bill to:

- (1) reduce the amount of wine the license holder may manufacture on the premises from not in excess of 20% to not in excess of 10% of the wine annually produced;
- (2) clarify that only samples produced by persons who have received instruction in winemaking on the premises may be offered;
- (3) clarify that these samples may only be offered on the premises, but not off the premises and delete language obviated by this

restriction specifying that a sample could be consumed or disposed of on a premises utilized for sampling purposes other than the facility's premises;

- (4) clarify that the license holder may use the licensed premises for events or affairs at which a Class C retail licensee serves alcoholic beverages in compliance with New Jersey statutes and regulations;
- (5) establish that the fee for the license would be \$1,000, rather than a fee set by the Director of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control; and
- (6) permit licensees to gratuitously offer samples, but not allow them to sell samples for a nominal charge.

As amended and reported by the committee, this bill is identical to Assembly Bill No. 4025 (2R).