

HOUSE BILL No. 5878

May 12, 2004, Introduced by Reps. Gaffney, Richardville, Shackleton, Stahl, Voorhees, Amos, Palsrok, Taub, Meyer, LaJoy, Garfield, Nitz, DeRoche, Milosch, Pumford, Hummel, Steil, Koetje, Bisbee, Hune, Tabor, Shaffer, DeRossett, Ehardt, Newell, Caswell, Walker, Moolenaar, Acciavatti, Huizenga, Kooiman, Caul, Hoogendyk, Nofs and Sheen and referred to the Committee on Commerce.

A bill to amend 1998 PA 58, entitled
 "Michigan liquor control code of 1998,"
 by amending section 525 (MCL 436.1525), as amended by 2002 PA
 76.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 525. (1) ~~The~~ **Except as otherwise provided for in**
 2 **this section, the** following license fees shall be paid at the
 3 time of filing applications or as otherwise provided in this
 4 act:

5 (a) Manufacturers of spirits, but not including makers,
 6 blenders, and rectifiers of wines containing 21% or less alcohol
 7 by volume, \$1,000.00.

8 (b) Manufacturers of beer, \$50.00 per 1,000 barrels, or
 9 fraction of a barrel, production annually with a maximum fee of
 10 \$1,000.00, and in addition \$50.00 for each motor vehicle used in

1 delivery to retail licensees. A fee increase ~~shall~~ **does** not
2 apply to a manufacturer of less than 15,000 barrels production
3 per year.

4 (c) Outstate seller of beer, delivering or selling beer in
5 this state, \$1,000.00.

6 (d) Wine makers, blenders, and rectifiers of wine, including
7 makers, blenders, and rectifiers of wines containing 21% or less
8 alcohol by volume, \$100.00. The small wine maker license fee
9 ~~shall be~~ **is** \$25.00.

10 (e) Outstate seller of wine, delivering or selling wine in
11 this state, \$300.00.

12 (f) Outstate seller of mixed spirit drink, delivering or
13 selling mixed spirit drink in this state, \$300.00.

14 (g) Dining cars or other railroad or Pullman cars selling
15 alcoholic liquor, \$100.00 per train.

16 (h) Wholesale vendors other than manufacturers of beer,
17 \$300.00 for the first motor vehicle used in delivery to retail
18 licensees and \$50.00 for each additional motor vehicle used in
19 delivery to retail licensees.

20 (i) Watercraft, licensed to carry passengers, selling
21 alcoholic liquor, a minimum fee of \$100.00 and a maximum fee of
22 \$500.00 per year computed on the basis of \$1.00 per person per
23 passenger capacity.

24 (j) Specially designated merchants, for selling beer or wine
25 for consumption off the premises only but not at wholesale,
26 \$100.00 for each location regardless of the fact that the
27 location may be a part of a system or chain of merchandising.

1 (k) Specially designated distributors licensed by the
2 commission to distribute spirits and mixed spirit drink in the
3 original package for the commission for consumption off the
4 premises, \$150.00 per year, and an additional fee of \$3.00 for
5 each \$1,000.00 or major fraction of that amount in excess of
6 \$25,000.00 of the total retail value of merchandise purchased
7 under each license from the commission during the previous
8 calendar year.

9 (l) 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,
13 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 ~~shall entitle~~ **entitles** the hotel to
17 sell in only 1 public bar, other than a bedroom, and a license
18 shall be secured for each additional public bar, other than a
19 bedroom, the fee for which ~~shall be~~ **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,
23 mixed spirit drink, and spirits in more than 1 bar, a fee of
24 \$350.00 shall be paid for each additional bar. In municipally
25 owned or supported facilities in which nonprofit organizations
26 operate concession stands, a fee of \$100.00 shall be paid for
27 each additional bar.

1 (p) Clubs selling beer, wine, mixed spirit drink, and
2 spirits, \$300.00 for clubs having 150 or fewer duly accredited
3 members and \$1.00 for each additional member. The membership
4 list for the purpose only of determining the license fees to be
5 paid under this section shall be the accredited list of members
6 as determined by a sworn affidavit 30 days before the closing of
7 the license year. This section ~~shall~~ **does** not prevent the
8 commission from checking a membership list and making its own
9 determination from the list or otherwise. The list of members
10 and additional members ~~shall~~ **is** not ~~be~~ required of a club
11 paying the maximum fee. The maximum fee shall not exceed \$750.00
12 for any 1 club.

13 (q) Warehousemen, to be fixed by the commission with a minimum
14 fee for each warehouse of \$50.00.

15 (r) Special licenses, a fee of \$50.00 per day, except that
16 the fee for that license or permit issued to any bona fide
17 nonprofit association, duly organized and in continuous existence
18 for 1 year before the filing of its application, ~~shall be~~ **is**
19 \$25.00. Not more than 5 special licenses may be granted to any
20 organization, including an auxiliary of the organization, in a
21 calendar year.

22 (s) Airlines licensed to carry passengers in this state
23 ~~which~~ **that** sell, offer for sale, provide, or transport
24 alcoholic liquor, \$600.00.

25 (t) Brandy manufacturer, \$100.00.

26 (u) Mixed spirit drink manufacturer, \$100.00.

27 (v) Brewpub, \$100.00.

1 (w) Class G-1, \$1,000.00.

2 (x) Class G-2, \$500.00.

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.

6 (3) Beginning the effective date of the amendatory act that
7 added this subsection, the commission shall issue an initial or
8 renewal license not later than 6 months after the applicant files
9 a completed application. If the application is considered
10 incomplete by the commission, the commission shall notify the
11 applicant in writing within 10 days after receipt of the
12 incomplete application, describing the deficiency and requesting
13 the additional information. The 6-month period is tolled upon
14 notification by the commission of a deficiency until the date the
15 requested information is received by the commission.

16 (4) If the commission fails to issue or deny a license within
17 the time required by this section, the commission shall return
18 the license fee and shall reduce the license fee for the
19 applicant's next renewal application, if any, by 15%. The
20 commission shall not discriminate against an applicant in the
21 processing of the application based upon the fact that the
22 application fee was refunded or discounted under this
23 subsection.

24 (5) Beginning January 31, 2005, the chair of the commission
25 shall submit a report by January 31 of each year to the standing
26 committees and appropriations subcommittees of the senate and
27 house of representatives concerned with liquor license issues.

1 The chair of the commission shall include all of the following
2 information in the report concerning the preceding calendar
3 year:

4 (a) The number of initial and renewal applications the
5 commission received and completed within the 6-month time period
6 described in subsection (3).

7 (b) The number of applications requiring a request for
8 additional information.

9 (c) The average time for an applicant to respond to a request
10 for additional information.

11 (d) The number of applications rejected, categorized by
12 reason for rejection.

13 (e) The amount of money returned to licensees under
14 subsection (4).

15 (f) The number of applications not issued within the 6-month
16 period.

17 (g) The average processing time for initial and renewal
18 applications granted after the 6-month period.