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HOUSE BILL ***591-FN***

AN ACT relative to certain liquor license fees.

SPONSORS: Rep. Abrami, Rock. 19; Rep. Doucette, Rock. 8; Rep. Weyler, Rock. 13; Sen. Bradley, Dist 3

COMMITTEE: Executive Departments and Administration

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill makes changes to liquor license fees for agency licenses and retail tobacco licenses and clarifies certain other liquor license fee provisions.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
 Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struckthrough.]~~
 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Two

AN ACT relative to certain liquor license fees.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 289:1 New Section; State Liquor Stores; Agency Store. Amend RSA 177 by inserting after section 9
2 the following new section:

3 177:9-a Agency Liquor Store; License Fee. The fee for an agency store license shall be as
4 determined in RSA 178:29, II(c).

5 289:2 Liquor Licenses; Off-Premises Fees. Amend the introductory paragraph of RSA 178:29, II to
6 read as follows:

7 II. Off-premises[~~licenses~~] *licensees* shall pay *one of* the following applicable fees annually:

8 289:3 New Subparagraph; Liquor Licenses; Retail Tobacco. Amend RSA 178:29, II by inserting after
9 subparagraph (d) the following new subparagraph:

10 (e) Retail tobacco license:

11 (1) 1 register, \$216

12 (2) 2-3 registers, \$408

13 (3) 4 or more registers, \$648

14 289:4 Repeal; Liquor License Fee; Retail Tobacco. RSA 178:29, V-a(a), relative to the fee for a retail
15 tobacco license, is repealed.

16 289:5 Retail Tobacco License. Amend RSA 178:19-a to read as follows:

17 178:19-a Retail Tobacco License.

18 I. The commission may issue a retail tobacco license to a person engaged in the business of
19 retail sales and distribution of tobacco products ~~or~~ *including* e-cigarettes in this state. Each retail outlet
20 shall have a separate license regardless of the fact that one or more outlets may be owned or controlled
21 by a single person.

22 *I-a. The commission may issue a retail tobacco license to any business holding a license to sell*
23 *alcoholic beverages under RSA 178 for an additional fee of \$6 per licensed location.*

24 II. A retail tobacco license shall be prominently displayed on the premises described in it.

25 III. The commission, when issuing or renewing a retail tobacco license, shall furnish a sign which
26 shall read or be substantially similar to the following: "State Law prohibits the sale of tobacco products or
27 e-cigarettes to persons under age 21. Warning: violators of these provisions may be subject to a fine."

28 *IV. All sales of tobacco, including e-cigarettes, shall be recorded on cash registers. No additional*
29 *registers shall be added during the remainder of the year without prior approval of the commission. No*
30 *rebate shall be allowed for cash registers discontinued during the license year.*

31 *V. The fee for a retail tobacco license shall be as determined in RSA 178:29, II(e).*

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1 289:6 New Paragraph; On-Premises Cigar, Beverage, and Liquor License; Fee. Amend RSA
2 178:20-a by inserting after paragraph IV the following new paragraph:

3 V. The fee for an on-premises cigar, beverage, and liquor license shall be as determined in RSA
4 178:29, I.

5 289:7 New Paragraph; Combination License; Fee. Amend RSA 178:18 by inserting after paragraph
6 III the following new paragraph:

7 IV. The fee for a combination license shall be as determined in RSA 178:29, II(b).

8 289:8 New Paragraph; Retail Wine License; Fee. Amend RSA 178:19 by inserting after paragraph IV
9 the following new paragraph:

10 V. The fee for a retail wine license shall be as determined in RSA 178:29, II(a).

11 289:9 New Paragraph; Beer Specialty License; Fee. Amend RSA 178:19-d by inserting after
12 paragraph VI the following new paragraph:

13 VII. The fee for a beer specialty license shall be found in RSA 178:29, II(d).

14 289:10 Applicability. The provisions of sections 1-9 of this act shall be applicable on the first day of
15 the month following its effective date.

16 289:11 Effective Date.

17 I. Sections 1-9 of this act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

18 II. The remainder of this act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved: July 01, 2022

Effective Date:

I. Sections 1-9 effective August 30, 2022

II. Remainder effective July 1, 2022

