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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to malt beverages; amending s. 563.06, F.S.; authorizing the sale of malt beverages packaged in individual containers of certain sizes if they are filled at the point of sale by certain licenseholders; requiring a container to be imprinted or labeled with certain information; requiring a container to be sealed or incapable of being immediately consumed; providing penalties; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Subsection (6) of section 563.06, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

 563.06 Malt beverages; imprint on individual container; size of containers; exemptions.—

(6) All malt beverages packaged in individual containers sold or offered for sale by vendors at retail in this state shall be in individual containers containing no more than 32 ounces of such malt beverages; provided, however, that nothing contained in this section shall affect malt beverages packaged in bulk or in kegs or in barrels or in any individual container containing 1 gallon or more of such malt beverage regardless of individual container type.

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of the Beverage

Law, a malt beverage may be packaged in an individual container

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that holds 32, 64, or 128 ounces of such malt beverage if it is

filled at the point of sale by any of the following:

1. A licensed manufacturer of malt beverages holding a vendor's license under s. 561.221(2).

- 2. A vendor holding a quota license under s. 561.20(1) or s. 565.02(1)(a) that authorizes the sale of malt beverages.
- 3. A vendor holding a license under s. 563.02(1)(b)-(f), s. 564.02(1)(b)-(f), or s. 565.02(1)(b)-(f), unless such license restricts the sale of malt beverages to sale for consumption only on the premises of such vendor.
- (b) A container specified in paragraph (a) must include an imprint or label that provides information specifying the manufacturer and the brand of the malt beverage. The container must have an unbroken seal or be incapable of being immediately consumed.
- (c) A person, firm, or corporation, including its agents, officers, or employees, which violates paragraph (a) commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s.

  775.082 or s. 775.083, and the license held by the person, firm, or corporation, if any, is subject to revocation or suspension by the division. A person, firm, or corporation, including its agents, officers, or employees, which violates paragraph (b) may be subject to a fine by the division of up to \$250.
  - Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.