

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to ownership interests of licensed
 3 alcoholic beverage vendors; amending s. 561.14, F.S.;
 4 authorizing vendors licensed to sell alcoholic
 5 beverages at retail to have an ownership interest in
 6 the production of such beverages in certain instances;
 7 providing an effective date.

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

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 11 **Section 1. Subsection (3) of section 561.14, Florida**
 12 **Statutes, is amended to read:**

13 561.14 License and registration classification.—Licenses
 14 and registrations referred to in the Beverage Law shall be
 15 classified as follows:

16 (3) Vendors licensed to sell alcoholic beverages at retail
 17 only. No vendor shall purchase or acquire in any manner for the
 18 purpose of resale any alcoholic beverages from any person not
 19 licensed as a vendor, manufacturer, bottler, or distributor
 20 under the Beverage Law. When a licensed vendor purchases or
 21 acquires alcoholic beverages for the purpose of resale, the
 22 vendor may have an ownership interest in the production of such
 23 beverages. Alcoholic beverages may be sold on the licensed
 24 premises if production, distribution, and retail sales are
 25 conducted pursuant to the Beverage Law. Purchases of alcoholic

26 | beverages by vendors from vendors shall be strictly limited to
27 | purchases between members of a pool buying group for which the
28 | initial purchase of the alcoholic beverages was ordered by a
29 | pool buying agent as a single transaction. No vendor shall be a
30 | member of more than one cooperative or pool buying group at any
31 | time. No vendor shall import, or engage in the importation of,
32 | any alcoholic beverages from places beyond the limits of the
33 | state.

34 | **Section 2.** This act shall take effect July 1, 2025.