## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Authorizes manufacturers or brewers to host up to thirty private events at the brewing facility and provides certain restrictions for such events.

<u>Present law</u>, in part, defines "manufacturer or brewer" as any person who personally or otherwise engages in the making, blending, rectifying, brewing, or other processing of alcoholic beverages for shipments to licensed wholesale dealers within the state.

<u>Present law</u> provides that a manufacturer or brewer may sell or serve only those products brewed at a La. facility to the public only at that facility for consumption on or off the premises but not for resale.

<u>Present law</u> further provides that the total amount of sales to the public for any given month shall not exceed 10% of the total amount of the product brewed monthly or 250 barrels, whichever is greater.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and provides that a brewery may host no more than 30 private events per year if the following conditions are met:

- (1) A copy of the contract between the brewer and the third party is provided to the office of alcohol and tobacco control at least 10 days prior to the event.
- (2) The third party or brewer does not charge a cover charge, entry fee, or sell entry tickets in connection with the event.
- (3) The brewing facility operated by the manufacturer or brewer is entirely located in the state.

<u>Proposed law</u> authorizes the brewer to charge a reasonable rental fee to the third party for the private event and provides that, at the private event, the holder of a Class A-Caterers permit issued pursuant to <u>present law</u> may sell or serve any alcoholic beverages authorized by the caterer's permit.

(Amends R.S. 26:241(15); Adds R.S. 26:309)