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DIGEST

Morrell (SB 204)

<u>Present law</u> provides that all wine sold or shipped into this state shall be in certain sized containers.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and adds the following container sizes: nineteen and five-tenths liters, twenty liters, and five hundred milliliters.

<u>Present law</u> requires that wines bottled subject to the standards provided for in <u>present law</u> be packed with a certain number of bottles per shipping case or shipping container and further provides for the bottle size and the corresponding bottles per case.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> except that it changes all references <u>from</u> "bottles" <u>to</u> "containers" and further changes a container size <u>from</u> 5 through 18 liters <u>to</u> 5 through 20 liters and adds a container size of 500 milliliters with 12 containers per case.

Proposed law exempts cider products from container size restrictions.

Effective August 1, 2014.

(Amends R.S. 26:351(2)(a) and (4); adds R.S. 26:351(9))