SENATE SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SB 204 By Senator Morrell

KEYWORD AND SUMMARY AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES. Provides for limitations on the size of containers of beverages of high alcoholic content. (8/1/14)

SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO THE SENATE BILL

1. Adds definition of "container" for purposes of proposed law.

DIGEST OF THE SENATE BILL AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

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<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 fivetenths 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.

Defines "containers" for purposes of <u>proposed law</u> to mean any receptacle produced and manufactured with any substance used to package wine for delivery to the public.

<u>Proposed law</u> 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))

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