
DIGEST

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HB 233

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Abstract: Establishes a microdistillery permit for holders of a Retailers Class A permit and provides relative to fees and requirements.

Present law provides for definitions relative to alcoholic beverages.

Proposed law retains present law and adds definitions for the following:

- (1) "Microdistiller" means any person who operates a microdistillery.
- (2) "Microdistillery" means a retail outlet where a microdistiller engages in the distilling, making, blending, rectifying, or processing of any alcoholic beverage in La. in quantities of not more than 12,000 gallons per year for retail sale and consumption on or off the licensed premises.

Proposed law establishes a microdistiller permit of \$1,000, authorizes the holder of a Retailers Class A permit to obtain such permit, and further provides that alcoholic beverages sold by a microdistiller are taxed at the same rate and in the same manner as all other alcoholic beverages.

Proposed law prohibits the holder of a microdistiller permit from selling the manufactured beverages at wholesale or to any wholesale dealer or from selling to any other licensed retail dealer.

(Amends R.S. 26:2(13-24) and 71(A)(3)(d); Adds R.S. 26:2(25) and (26), 71(A)(3)(e), and 71.3)