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AN ACT to amend and reenact sections one and five, article one, chapter sixty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended; to amend and reenact section twenty-two, article three of said chapter; to further amend said article three by adding thereto a new section, designated section twenty-two-a; to amend and reenact section fifteen, article four of said chapter; to amend and reenact section twelve, article seven of said chapter; to further amend said article seven by adding thereto a new section, designated section twelve-a; to amend and reenact sections two, three, twenty, twenty-three, twenty-nine and thirty-four, article eight of said chapter; and to further amend said article eight by adding thereto a new section, designated section twenty-a, all relating to the regulation

and control of alcoholic liquors generally; increasing from nineteen to twenty-one years the legal age for consumption of alcoholic liquors; general provisions; purpose of chapter; declaration of legislative findings, policy and intent; definitions; sales by commissioner; sales to certain persons prohibited; unlawful acts by persons and the penalties therefor; licenses; amount of license fees; licenses to private clubs; certain acts of licensee prohibited; criminal penalties; unlawful acts by persons and the penalties therefor; sales of wines; definitions; licenses; fees; general restrictions; special license for festival or fair; private wine restaurant license; unlawful acts generally; unlawful acts by persons and the penalties therefor; duties and powers of commissioner; rules and regulations; bond required of distributors and suppliers and amount thereof; and when retail sales and sales by private wine restaurant prohibited.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections one and five, article one, chapter sixty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted; that section twenty-two, article three of said chapter be amended and reenacted; that said article three be further amended by adding thereto a new section, designated section twenty-two-a; that section fifteen, article four of said chapter be amended and reenacted; that section twelve, article seven of said chapter be amended and reenacted; that said article seven be further amended by adding thereto a new section, designated section twelve-a; that sections two, three, twenty, twenty-three, twenty-nine and thirty-four, article eight of said chapter be amended and reenacted; and that said article eight be further amended by adding thereto a new section, designated section twenty-a, all to read as follows:

ARTICLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS.

§60-1-1. Purpose of chapter; declaration of legislative findings, policy and intent.

- 1 The purpose of this chapter is to give effect to the
- 2 mandate of the people expressed in the repeal of the state
- 3 prohibition amendment; and it is hereby found by the
- 4 Legislature and declared to be the public policy of this state
- 5 to regulate and control the manufacture, sale, distribution.

- 6 transportation, storage and consumption of alcoholic
- 7 liquors and at the same time to assure the greatest degree of
- 8 personal freedom consistent with the health, safety,
- 9 welfare, peace and good morals of the people of this state.
- 10 To these ends the police power of this state is pledged to the
- 11 sound control and the temperate use of alcoholic liquors. In
- 12 order to further promote and foster the hereinabove policy
- 13 of the Legislature, the provisions of this chapter and of the
- 14 rules and regulations promulgated pursuant thereto shall
- 15 be construed so as to accomplish and effectuate these stated
- 16 purposes.

§60-1-5. Definitions.

- 1 For the purposes of this chapter:
- 2 "Alcohol" shall mean ethyl alcohol whatever its origin 3 and shall include synthetic ethyl alcohol but not denatured 4 alcohol.
- 5 "Beer" shall mean any beverage obtained by the 6 fermentation of barley, malt, hops, or any other similar 7 product or substitute, and containing more alcohol than that of nonintoxicating beer.
- "Nonintoxicating beer" shall mean any beverage, 10 obtained by the fermentation of barley, malt, hops, or 11 similar products or substitute and containing not more 12 alcohol than that specified by section two, article sixteen, 13 chapter eleven of this code.
- 14 "Wine" shall mean any alcoholic beverage obtained by 15 the fermentation of the natural content of fruits, or other 16 agricultural products, containing sugar.
- "Spirits" shall mean any alcoholic beverage obtained by 17 18 distillation and mixed with potable water and other 19 substances in solution, and includes brandy, rum, whiskey, 20 cordials and gin.
- 21 "Alcoholic liquor" shall include alcohol, beer, wine and 22 spirits, and any liquid or solid capable of being used as a 23 beverage, but shall not include nonintoxicating beer.
- 24 "Original package" shall mean any closed or sealed 25 container or receptacle used for holding alcoholic liquor.
- 26 "Sale" shall mean any transfer, exchange or barter in any 27 manner or by any means, for a consideration, and shall 28 include all sales made by principal, proprietor, agent or 29 employee.

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30 "Selling" shall include solicitation or receipt of orders; 31 possession for sale; and possession with intent to sell.

"Person" shall mean an individual, firm, partnership, 32 33 limited partnership, corporation or voluntary association.

"Manufacture" means to distill, rectify, ferment, brew, 34 35 make, mix, concoct, process, blend, bottle, or fill an original package with any alcoholic liquor. 36

"Manufacturer" shall mean any person engaged in the 38 manufacture of any alcoholic liquor, and among others 39 includes a distiller, a rectifier, a wine maker and a brewer.

"Brewery" shall mean an establishment where beer is manufactured or in any way prepared.

42 "Winery" shall mean an establishment where wine is 43 manufactured or in any way prepared.

44 "Distillery" shall mean an establishment where alcoholic 45 liquor other than wine or beer is manufactured or in any 46 way prepared.

"Public place" shall mean any place, building or 48 conveyance to which the public has, or is permitted to have 49 access, including restaurants, soda fountains, hotel dining 50 rooms, lobbies, and corridors of hotels and any highway, 51 street, lane, park or place of public resort or amusement: 52 Provided, That the term "public place" shall not mean or 53 include any of the above-named places or any portion or 54 portions thereof which qualify and are licensed under the provisions of this chapter to sell alcoholic liquors for 56 consumption on the premises.

"State liquor store" shall mean a store established and 58 operated by the commission under this chapter for the sale of alcoholic liquor in the original package for consumption 60 off the premises.

"An agency" shall mean a drugstore, grocery store or 62 general store designated by the commission as a retail distributor of alcoholic liquor for the West Virginia alcohol 64 beverage control commissioner.

"Department" shall mean the organization through 66 which the commission exercises powers imposed upon it by this chapter. 67

"Commissioner" or "commission" shall mean the West Virginia alcohol beverage control commissioner.

"Intoxicated" shall mean having one's faculties impaired 70 by alcohol or other drugs to the point where physical or mental control or both are markedly diminished.

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ARTICLE 3. SALES BY COMMISSIONER.

§60-3-22. Sales to certain persons prohibited.

- 1 Alcoholic liquors shall not be sold to a person who is:
- 2 (1) Less than twenty-one years of age;
- 3 (2) An habitual drunkard;
- 4 (3) Intoxicated;
- 5 (4) Addicted to the use of any controlled substance as
- 6 defined by any of the provisions of chapter sixty-a of this
- 7 code; or
- 8 (5) Mentally incompetent.

§60-3-22a. Unlawful acts by persons.

- 1 (a) Any person under the age of twenty-one years who,
- 2 for the purpose of purchasing alcoholic liquors from a state
- 3 liquor store or an agency, misrepresents his or her age, or
- 4 who for such purpose presents or offers any written
- 5 evidence of age which is false, fraudulent or not actually his
- 6 or her own, or who illegally attempts to purchase alcoholic
- 7 liquors from a state liquor store or an agency, is guilty of a
- 8 misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined
- 9 in an amount not to exceed fifty dollars or shall be
- 10 imprisoned in the county jail for a period not to exceed
- 11 seventy-two hours, or both such fine and imprisonment, or,
- 12 in lieu of such fine and imprisonment, may, for the first
- 13 offense, be placed on probation for a period not exceeding
- 14 one year.
- 15 (b) Any person who shall knowingly buy for, give to or
- 16 furnish to anyone under the age of twenty-one to whom they
- 17 are not related by blood or marriage, any alcoholic liquors
- 18 from whatever source, is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall,
- 19 upon conviction thereof, be fined in an amount not to
- 20 exceed one hundred dollars or shall be imprisoned in the
- 21 county jail for a period not to exceed ten days, or both such
- 22 fine and imprisonment.

ARTICLE 4. LICENSES.

§60-4-15. Amount of license fees.

- 1 A person to whom a license is issued under the provisions
- 2 of this chapter shall pay annually to the commissioner a
- 3 license fee as follows, for:
- 4 (1) Distilleries, one thousand five hundred dollars;

- 5 (2) Wineries, one thousand five hundred dollars;
- 6 (3) Breweries, two hundred fifty dollars;
- 7 (4) Bottling plants, one hundred dollars;
- 8 (5) Wholesale druggists, fifty dollars;
- 9 (6) Institutions, ten dollars;
- 10 (7) Industrial use, fifty dollars;
- 11 (8) Industrial plants producing alcohol, two hundred
- 12 fifty dollars;
- 13 (9) Retail druggists, ten dollars;
- 14 (10) Farm wineries, fifty dollars.

ARTICLE 7. LICENSES TO PRIVATE CLUBS.

§60-7-12. Certain acts of licensee prohibited; criminal penalties.

- 1 (a) It shall be unlawful for any licensee, or agent, 2 employee or member thereof, on such licensee's premises to:
- 3 (1) Sell or offer for sale any alcoholic liquors other than 4 from the original package or container;
- 5 (2) Authorize or permit any disturbance of the peace;
- 6 obscene, lewd, immoral or improper entertainment,
- 7 conduct or practice; gambling or any slot machine, multiple
- $8 \hspace{0.1in}$ coin console machine, multiple coin console slot machine or
- 9 device in the nature of a slot machine;
- 10 (3) Sell, give away, or permit the sale of, gift to, or the 11 procurement of any alcoholic liquors, for or to any person 12 less than twenty-one years of age;
- 13 (4) Sell, give away, or permit the sale of, gift to, or the 14 procurement of any alcoholic liquors, for or to any mental
- 15 incompetent, or for a person who is physically
- 13 incompetent, of for a person who is physically
- 16 incapacitated due to consumption of alcoholic liquor or the17 use of drugs;
- 18 (5) Sell, give or dispense alcoholic liquors in or on any
- 19 licensed premises or in any rooms directly connected
- 20 therewith, between the hours of three o'clock a.m. and one
- 21 o'clock p.m. on any Sunday;
- 22 (6) Permit the consumption by, or serve to, on the
- 23 licensed premises any alcoholic liquors, covered by this
- 24 article, to any person who is less than twenty-one years of
- 25 age;
- 26 (7) With the intent to defraud, alter, change or
- 27 misrepresent the quality, quantity or brand name of any
- 28 alcoholic liquor;

- 29 (8) Sell or offer for sale any alcoholic liquor to any 30 person who is not a duly elected or approved dues paying 31 member in good standing of said private club or a guest of 32 such member;
- (9) Permit any person who is less than eighteen years of 34 age to sell, furnish or give alcoholic liquors to any person; or
- 35 (10) Violate any reasonable rule or regulation of the 36 commissioner.
- 37 (b) It shall further be unlawful for any licensee to 38 advertise in any news media or other means, outside of the 39 licensee's premises, the fact that alcoholic liquors may be 40 purchased thereat.
- 41 (c) Any person who violates any of the foregoing 42 provisions shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon 43 conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not less 44 than one hundred dollars nor more than five hundred 45 dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail for a period 46 not to exceed one year, or by both fine and imprisonment.

§60-7-12a. Unlawful acts by persons.

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- (a) Any person under the age of twenty-one years who, 2 for the purpose of purchasing nonintoxicating beer or 3 alcoholic liquors from a licensee, misrepresents his or her 4 age, or who for such purpose presents or offers any written 5 evidence of age which is false, fraudulent or not actually his 6 or her own, or who illegally attempts to purchase 7 nonintoxicating beer or alcoholic liquors from a licensee, is 8 guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall 9 be fined in an amount not to exceed fifty dollars or shall be 10 imprisoned in the county jail for a period not to exceed 11 seventy-two hours, or both such fine and imprisonment, or, 12 in lieu of such fine and imprisonment, may, for the first 13 offense, be placed on probation for a period not exceeding 14 one year.
- 15 (b) Any person who shall knowingly buy for, give to or 16 furnish to anyone under the age of twenty-one to whom they 17 are not related by blood or marriage, any nonintoxicating 18 beer or alcoholic liquors purchased from a licensee, is guilty 19 of a misdemeanor and shall, upon conviction thereof, be 20 fined in an amount not to exceed one hundred dollars or 21 shall be imprisoned in the county jail for a period not to 22 exceed ten days, or both such fine and imprisonment.

ARTICLE 8. SALE OF WINES.

PART II. SALE OF WINE GENERALLY.

§60-8-2. Definitions.

- 1 Unless the context in which used clearly requires a 2 different meaning, as used in this article:
- 3 "Commissioner" or "commission" means the West
- 4 Virginia alcohol beverage control commissioner.
- 5 "Distributor" means any person whose principal place of
- 6 business is within the state of West Virginia, and who is
- 7 engaged in selling or distributing wine to retailers or
- 8 private wine restaurants and selling or distributing port,
- 9 sherry and Madeira wines to wine specialty shops under
- 10 authority of this article and actually maintains a warehouse
- 11 in this state for the distribution of wine.
- "Fortified wine" shall mean any wine to which brandy orother alcohol has been added and shall include dessert
- 14 wines which are not fortified.
- 15 "Grocery store" means any retail establishment,
- 16 commonly known as a grocery store, supermarket or
- 17 delicatessen, where food, food products and supplies for the
- 18 table are sold for consumption off the premises with
- 19 average monthly sales (exclusive of sales of wines) of not
- 20 less than three thousand dollars and an average monthly
- 21 inventory (exclusive of inventory of wine) of not less than
- 22 three thousand dollars. The term "grocery store" shall also
- 23 include and mean a separate and segregated portion of any
- 24 other retail store which is dedicated solely to the sale of
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- 25 food, food products and supplies for the table for
- 26 consumption off the premises with average monthly sales
- 27 with respect to such separate or segregated portion
- 28 (exclusive of sales of wine) of not less than three thousand
- 29 dollars and an average monthly inventory (exclusive of
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- 30 inventory of wine) of not less than three thousand dollars.
- "Licensee" means the holder of a license granted under the provisions of this article.
- 33 "Private wine restaurant" means a restaurant which: (1)
- 34 Is a partnership, limited partnership, corporation,
- 35 unincorporated association or other business entity which
- 36 has as its principal purpose the business of serving meals on
- 37 its premises to its members and their guests; (2) Is licensed
- 38 under the provisions of this article as to all of its premises or

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39 as to a separate segregated portion of its premises to serve 40 wine to its members and their guests when such sale 41 accompanies the serving of food or meals; and (3) Admits only duly elected and approved dues paying members and their guests while in the company of a member, and does not 44 admit the general public.

"Retailer" means any person licensed to sell wine at retail to the public at his established place of business for offpremises consumption and who is licensed to do so under authority of this article.

"Supplier" means any manufacturer, producer, processor, distributor or supplier of wine who sells or offers 51 to sell or solicits or negotiates the sale of wine to any licensed West Virginia distributor.

"Tax" includes within its meaning interest, additions to tax and penalties.

"Taxpayer" means any person liable for any tax, interest, additions to tax or penalty under the provisions of this article and any person claiming a refund of tax.

"Varietal wine" means any wine labeled according to the grape variety from which such wine is made.

"Vintage wine" or "vintage-dated wine" means wines 61 from which the grapes used to produce such wine are harvested during a particular year or wines produced from the grapes of a particular harvest in a particular region of 64 production.

"Wine" means any alcoholic beverage obtained by the 66 natural fermentation of the natural content of grapes, other 67 fruits or honey or other agricultural products containing sugar and to which no alcohol has been added and shall 69 include table wine, and shall exclude fortified wine and shall also exclude any product defined as or embraced within the definition of nonintoxicating beer under the 72 provisions of article sixteen, chapter eleven of this code.

"Wine specialty shop" means a retailer who shall deal 74 principally in the sale of table wine, certain fortified wines, 75 wine accessories and food or foodstuffs normally associated 76 with wine and (1) who shall maintain a representative 77 number of such wines for sale in his inventory which are 78 designated by label as varietal wine, vintage, generic and/or 79 according to region of production and the inventory shall 80 contain not less than fifteen percent vintage or vintage-

- 81 dated wine by actual bottle count and (2) who, any other
- 82 provisions of this code to the contrary notwithstanding,
- 83 may maintain an inventory of port, sherry and madiera
- 84 wines having an alcoholic content of not more than twenty-
- 85 two percent alcohol by volume and which have been
- 86 matured in wooden barrels or casks.

§60-8-3. Licenses; fees; general restrictions.

- 1 (a) Except as to farm wineries as defined by section
- 2 five-a, article one of this chapter, no person may engage in
 3 business in the capacity of a distributor, retailer or private
- 4 wine restaurant without first obtaining a license from the
- 5 commissioner, nor shall a person continue to engage in any
- 5 commissioner, nor shan a person commute to engage in any
- 6 such activity after his license has expired, been suspended
- 7 or revoked. No person may be licensed simultaneously as a
- 8 distributor and a retailer, as a distributor and a private
- 9 wine restaurant, or as a retailer and a private wine
- 10 restaurant.
- 11 (b) The commissioner shall collect an annual fee for 12 licenses issued under this article, as follows:
- 13 (1) Twenty-five hundred dollars per year for a
- 14 distributor's license and each separate warehouse or other15 facility from which a distributor sells, transfers or delivers
- 16 wine shall be separately licensed and there shall be
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- 17 collected with respect to each such location the annual
- 18 license fee of twenty-five hundred dollars as herein
- 19 provided.

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- 20 (2) One hundred fifty dollars per year for a retailer's 21 license.
 - (3) Fifty dollars per year for a wine tasting license.
- 23 (4) Fifty dollars for each sales representative of or 24 employed by a licensed distributor.
- 25 (5) Two hundred fifty dollars per year for a private wine 26 restaurant license, and each separate restaurant from
- 27 which a licensee sells wine shall be separately licensed and
- 28 there shall be collected with respect to each such location
- 29 the annual license fee of two hundred fifty dollars as herein
- 30 provided.
- 31 (c) The license period shall begin on the first day of July
- 32 of each year and end on the thirtieth day of June of the
- 33 following year, and if granted for a less period, the same
- 34 shall be computed semiannually in proportion to the
- 35 remainder of the fiscal year.

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- (d) No retailer may be licensed as a private club as provided by article seven of this chapter.
- (e) No retailer may be licensed as a Class A retail dealer in nonintoxicating beer as provided by article sixteen, chapter eleven of this code: Provided, That a delicatessen which is a grocery store as defined in section two of this article and which is licensed as a Class A retail dealer in nonintoxicating beer, may be a retailer under this article: Provided, however, That any delicatessen licensed in both such capacities must maintain average monthly sales exclusive of sales of wine and nonintoxicating beer which exceed the average monthly sales of nonintoxicating beer.
- A retailer under this article may also hold a wine tasting license authorizing such retailer to serve complimentary samples of wine in moderate quantities for tasting. Such retailer shall organize a winetaster's club, which has at least fifty duly elected or approved dues paying members in good standing. Such club shall meet on 54 the retailer's premises not more than one time per week and shall either meet at a time when the premises are closed to 56 the general public, or shall meet in a separate segregated 57 facility on the premises to which the general public is not 58 admitted. Attendance at tastings shall be limited to duly elected or approved dues paying members and their guests.
- (g) A retailer who has more than one place of retail 61 business shall obtain a license for each separate retail 62 establishment. A retailer's license may be issued only to the 63 proprietor or owner of a bona fide grocery store or wine 64 specialty shop.
- 65 (h) The commissioner may issue a special license for the 66 retail sale of wine at any festival or fair which is endorsed or 67 sponsored by the governing body of a municipality or a 68 county commission. Such special license shall be issued for 69 a term of no longer than ten consecutive days and the fee 70 therefore shall be two hundred fifty dollars regardless of 71 the term of the license. The festival or fair committee or the 72 governing body shall designate a person to organize a club 73 under a name which includes the name of the festival or fair 74 and the words "wine club." The license shall be issued in the 75 name of the wine club. A licensee may not commence the 76 sale of wine as provided for in this subsection until the wine 77 club has at least fifty dues paying members who have been

78 enrolled and to whom membership cards have been issued. 79 Thereafter, new members may be enrolled and issued 80 membership cards at any time during the period for which 81 the license is issued. A wine club licensed under the 82 provisions of this subsection may sell wine only to its 83 members, and in portions not to exceed eight ounces per 84 serving. Such sales shall take place on premises or in an area 85 cordoned or segregated so as to be closed to the general public, and the general public shall not be admitted to such 87 premises or area. A licensee under the provisions of this 88 subsection shall be authorized to serve complimentary 89 samples of wine in moderate quantities for tasting.

90 A license issued under the provisions of this subsection 91 and the licensee holding such license shall be subject to all 92 other provisions of this article and the rules, regulations 93 and orders of the commissioner relating to such special 94 license: Provided, That the commissioner may by rule, 95 regulation, or order provide for certain waivers or 96 exceptions with respect to such provisions, rules, 97 regulations, or order as the circumstances of each such 98 festival or fair may require, including, without limitation, 99 the right to revoke or suspend any license issued pursuant to 100 this section prior to any notice or hearing notwithstanding 101 the provisions of section twelve of this article: *Provided*, 102 however, That under no circumstances shall the provisions 103 of subsections (c) or (d), section twenty of this article be 104 waived nor shall any exception be granted with respect 105 thereto.

A license issued under the provisions of this subsection and the licensee holding such license shall not be subject to 108 the provisions of subsection (g) of this section.

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109 (i) A license to sell wine granted to a private wine 110 restaurant under the provisions of this article entitles the 111 operator to sell and serve wine, for consumption on the 112 premises of the licensee, when such sale accompanies the 113 serving of food or a meal to its members and their guests in 114 accordance with the provisions of this article. Such 115 licensees are authorized to keep and maintain on their 116 premises a supply of wine in such quantities as may be 117 appropriate for the conduct of operations thereof. Any sale 118 of wine so made shall be subject to all restrictions set forth 119 in section twenty of this article. A private wine restaurant

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- 120 may also be licensed as a Class A retail dealer in
- 121 nonintoxicating beer as provided by article sixteen, chapter
- 122 eleven of this code.
- 123 (j) With respect to subdivisions (h) and (i) of this section,
- 124 the commissioner shall promulgate rules and regulations in
- 125 regard to the form of the applications, the suitability of both
- 126 the applicant and location of the licensed premises and such
- 127 other rules and regulations deemed necessary to carry the
- 128 provisions of such subsections into effect.

§60-8-20. Unlawful acts generally.

- 1 It shall be unlawful:
- 2 (a) For a distributor to sell or deliver wine purchased or
- 3 acquired from any source other than a person registered
- 4 under the provisions of section six, article eight, chapter
- 5 sixty of this code, or for a retailer to sell or deliver wine
- 6 purchased or acquired from any source other than a
- 7 licensed distributor or a farm winery as defined in section
- 8 five-a, article one of this chapter;
- 9 (b) Unless otherwise specifically provided for by the
- 10 provisions of this article, for a licensee under this article to
- 11 acquire, transport, possess for sale, or sell wine other than
- 12 in the original package;
- 13 (c) For a licensee, his servants, agents or employees to 14 sell, furnish or give wine to any person less than twenty-one
- 15 years of age, or to a mental incompetent, or person who is
- 16 physically incapacitated due to the consumption of
- 17 alcoholic liquor or the use of drugs;
- 18 (d) For a licensee to permit a person who is less than 19 eighteen years of age to sell, furnish or give wine to any
- 20 person;
- 21 (e) For a distributor to sell or deliver any brand of wine
- 22 purchased or acquired from any source other than the
- 23 primary source of supply of the wine which granted the 24 distributor the right to sell such brand at wholesale. For the
- 25 purposes of this article, "primary source of supply" means
- 26 the vintner of the wine, the importer of a foreign wine who
- 27 imports the wine into the United States, the owner of a wine
- 28 at the time it becomes a marketable product, the bottler of a
- 29 wine, or an agent specifically authorized by any of the
- 30 above-enumerated persons to make a sale of the wine to a
- 31 West Virginia distributor: Provided, That no retailer shall

- 32 sell or deliver wine purchased or acquired from any source
- 33 other than a distributor licensed as such in this state:
- 34 Provided, however, That nothing herein shall be deemed to
- 35 prohibit sales of convenience between distributors licensed
- 36 in this state wherein one such distributor sells, transfers or
- 37 delivers to another such distributor a particular brand or
- 20 hand a few selection of selection of the board on board on the
- 38 brands for sale at wholesale, of which brand or brands such
- 39 other distributor may be temporarily out of stock. The
- 40 commissioner shall promulgate such rules or regulations as
- 41 may be necessary to carry this subsection into effect;
- 42 (f) For a person to violate any reasonable rule or 43 regulation promulgated by the commissioner under this 44 article:
- 45 (g) Nothing in this article, nor any rule or regulation of
- 46 the commissioner, shall prevent or be deemed to prohibit
- 47 any licensee from employing any person who is at least
- 48 eighteen years of age to serve in any licensee's lawful
- 49 employment, including the sale or delivery of wine under
- 50 the provisions of this article. With the prior approval of the
- 51 commissioner, a licensee whose principal business is the
- 52 sale of food or consumer goods or the providing of
- 32 sale of food of consumer goods of the providing of
- 53 recreational activities, including, but not limited to,
- 54 nationally franchised fast food outlets, family-oriented
- 55 restaurants, bowling alleys, drug stores, discount stores, 56 grocery stores, and convenience stores, may employ persons
- grocery stores, and convenience stores, may employ persons
- 57 who are less than eighteen years of age but at least sixteen
- 58 years of age: *Provided*, That such person's duties shall not
- 59 include the sale or delivery of nonintoxicating beer or
- 60 alcoholic liquors: Provided, however, That the
- 61 authorization to employ such persons under the age of
- 62 eighteen years shall be clearly indicated on the licensee's
- 63 license.

§60-8-20a. Unlawful acts by persons.

- 1 (a) Any person under the age of twenty-one years who,
- 2 for the purpose of purchasing wine or other alcoholic
- 3 liquors from a licensee, misrepresents his or her age, or who
- 4 for such purpose presents or offers any written evidence of
- 5 age which is false, fraudulent or not actually his or her own,
- 6 or who illegally attempts to purchase wine or other
- 7 alcoholic liquors, is guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon
- 8 conviction thereof, shall be fined in an amount not to exceed

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- 9 fifty dollars or shall be imprisoned in the county jail for a 10 period not to exceed seventy-two hours, or both such fine 11 and imprisonment, or, in lieu of such fine and 12 imprisonment, may, for the first offense, be placed on 13 probation for a period not exceeding one year.
- 14 (b) Any person who shall knowingly buy for, give to or 15 furnish wine or other alcoholic liquors from any source to 16 anyone under the age of twenty-one to whom they are not 17 related by blood or marriage, is guilty of a misdemeanor and 18 shall, upon conviction thereof, be fined in an amount not to 19 exceed one hundred dollars or shall be imprisoned in the 20 county jail for a period not to exceed ten days, or both such 21 fine and imprisonment.

§60-8-23. Duties and powers of commissioner; rules and regulations.

- 1 The commissioner is hereby authorized:
 - To enforce the provisions of this article. (1)
- To enter the premises of any licensee at reasonable 4 times for the purpose of inspecting the premises, and determining the compliance of the licensee with the provisions of this article and any rules and regulations promulgated by the commissioner.
- 8 (3) In addition to rules and regulations relating to the 9 tax imposed by section four of this article or otherwise 10 authorized by this article, to promulgate reasonable rules 11 and regulations as he deems necessary for the execution and 12 enforcement of the provisions of this article, which may 13 include, but shall not be limited to:
- 14 (A) The transport, use, handling, service and sale of 15 wine:
- 16 (B) Establishing standards of identity, quality and 17 purity to protect the public against wine containing 18 deleterious, harmful or impure substances or elements and 19 against spurious or imitation wines and wines unfit for 20 human consumption; and
- 21 (C) Restricting the content of wine advertising so as to 22 prohibit false or misleading claims, or depictions or 23 descriptions of wine being consumed irresponsibly or 24 immoderately, or advertising presentations designed to 25 appeal to persons below the legal drinking age: *Provided*, 26 That the commissioner shall not promulgate any rule or

- regulation which prohibits the advertising of a particular
 brand or brands of wine and the price thereof: *Provided*, *however*, That price shall not be advertised in a medium of
 electronic communication subject to the jurisdiction of the
 federal communications commission.
- 32 (4) To issue subpoenas and subpoenas duces tecum for 33 the purpose of conducting hearings under the provisions of 34 section twelve of this article, which subpoenas and 35 subpoenas duces tecum shall be issued in the time, for the 36 fees, and shall be enforced in the manner specified in 37 section one, article five, chapter twenty-nine-a of this code 38 with like effect as if said section one was set forth in extenso 39 in this subdivision.
- 40 (b) The authority granted in subdivisions (a), (b) and (d) 41 of this section may also be exercised by the duly authorized 42 or designated agents of the commissioner.
- 43 (c) Except as may be in this article to the contrary, the
 44 commissioner shall not have authority by rule or regulation
 45 or otherwise to regulate markups, prices, discounts,
 46 allowances, or other terms of sale at which wine may be
 47 purchased or sold by wine distributors or licensees
 48 authorized to sell wine at retail or to change, nullify or vary
 49 the terms of any agreement between a wine manufacturer or
 50 supplier and a wine distributor, but nothing herein shall be
 51 deemed to authorize or permit any discriminatory practice
 52 prohibited by subsection (a), section thirty-one of this
 53 article.
- (d) All rules and regulations promulgated by the commissioner pursuant to this article shall be so promulgated in accordance with the provisions of chapter twenty-nine-a of this code. The rules and regulations promulgated pursuant to the prior enactment of this article and not disapproved by the Legislature shall remain in full force and effect to the extent that such rules and regulations are not abrogated and made null and void by the reenactment of this sections of this article during the regular session of the Legislature for the year one thousand nine hundred eighty-six. Any rule or regulation which is inconsistent or contrary in any way to any provision of this article now or hereafter enacted are null and void.

§60-8-29. Bond required of distributors and suppliers.

1 Each applicant for a distributor's license or each

- 2 company registered as a supplier shall furnish at the time of
- 3 application a bond with a corporate surety authorized to
- 4 transact business in this state, payable to the state, and
- 5 conditioned on the payment of all taxes and fees herein
- 6 prescribed and on the faithful performance of and
- 7 compliance with the provisions of this article.
- 8 The penal sum of the bond for distributors shall be ten
- 9 thousand dollars, and the penal sum of the bond for
- 10 suppliers shall be twenty-five thousand dollars. Each
- 11 distributor shall be required to furnish separate bond for
- 12 each location or separate place of business from which wine
- 13 is distributed, sold, or delivered. Revocation or forfeiture of
- 14 the bond furnished for any such location may, in the
- 15 discretion of the commissioner, cause the revocation or
- 16 forfeiture of all such bonds furnished by the distributor
- 17 suffering such revocation or forfeiture.

§60-8-34. When retail sales prohibited.

- 1 It shall be unlawful for a retailer, or a private wine
- 2 restaurant licensee, his servants, agents or employees to sell
- 3 or deliver wine between the hours of two o'clock a.m. and
- 4 one o'clock p.m. on Sundays, or between the hours of two
- 5 o'clock a.m. and seven o'clock a.m. on weekdays and
- 6 Saturdays.

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