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H. B. 2451

(By Mr. Speaker, Mr. Chambers, and Delegates Gallagher, Brown and Houvouras)

[Passed April 10, 1993; in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section thirteen, article sixteen, chapter eleven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to West Virginia brewpubs; barrel tax; and reporting requirements.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section thirteen, article sixteen, chapter eleven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 16. NONINTOXICATING BEER.

§11-16-13. Barrel tax on nonintoxicating beer.

- 1 (a) There is hereby levied and imposed, in addition to
- 2 the license taxes provided for in this article, a tax of five
- 3 dollars and fifty cents on each barrel of thirty-one
- 4 gallons and in like ratio on each part barrel of nonin-5 toxicating beer manufactured in this state for sale
- 6 within this state, whether contained or sold in barrels.
- 7 bottles or other containers, and a like tax is hereby
- 8 levied and imposed upon all nonintoxicating beer
- 9 manufactured outside of this state and brought into this
- 10 state for sale within this state; but no nonintoxicating

beer manufactured, sold or distributed in this state is 11 12 subject to more than one barrel tax. The brewer 13 manufacturing or producing nonintoxicating beer within this state for sale within this state shall pay the 14 15 barrel tax on such nonintoxicating beer, and, except as provided otherwise, the distributor who is the original 16 17 consignee of nonintoxicating beer manufactured or 18 produced outside of this state, or who brings such 19 nonintoxicating beer into this state, shall pay the barrel 20 tax on such nonintoxicating beer manufactured or 21 produced outside of this state: Provided, That the barrel 22 tax imposed by this section shall not apply to nonintox-23 icating beer manufactured by a brewpub.

24 (b) On or before the tenth day of each month during 25 the license period, every brewer or operator of a 26 brewpub who manufactures or produces nonintoxicating 27 beer within this state shall file a report in writing. 28 under oath, to the tax commissioner, in the form 29 prescribed by the tax commissioner, stating its total 30 sales, or in the case of a brewpub, its total estimated 31 production of nonintoxicating beer within this state 32 during that month, and at the same time shall pay the 33 tax levied by this article on such production. On or before the tenth day of each month during the license 34 35 period, every distributor who is the original consignee 36 of nonintoxicating beer manufactured or produced 37 outside this state or who brings such beer into this state 38 for sale shall file a report in writing, under oath, to the 39 tax commissioner, in the form prescribed by the tax 40 commissioner, stating its total estimated purchases of 41 such nonintoxicating beer during that month, and at the 42 same time shall pay the tax thereon levied by this article 43 for such estimated monthly purchase: Provided. That 44 the tax commissioner may allow, or require, a brewer 45 who manufactures or produces nonintoxicating beer 46 outside this state to file the required report and pay the 47 required tax on behalf of its distributor or distributors. 48 Any brewer or distributor or operator of a brewpub who 49 files a report under this subsection may adjust its 50 monthly estimated sales or purchases or production 51 report or reports by filing amended reports by the 52 twenty-fifth day of the reporting month.

(c) Every brewer or distributor or operator of a brewpub who files a report under subsection (b) of this section shall file a final monthly report of said sales or purchases or production, in a form and at a time prescribed by the tax commissioner, stating actual nonintoxicating beer sales, purchases, or production and other information which the tax commissioner may require, and shall include a remittance for any barrel tax owed for actual sales or purchases or production made in excess of the amount estimated for that month.

- (d) Any brewer or distributor or operator of a brewpub who files a report pursuant to subsection (b) of this section reflecting an underestimation of twenty-five percent or more of actual sales or purchases or production of nonintoxicating beer as shown by the report filed pursuant to subsection (c) of this section shall be assessed a penalty of one percent of the total taxes due in such prior month.
- (e) Brewers and distributors and operators of brewpubs shall keep all records which relate to the sale or purchase in this state of nonintoxicating beer for a period of three years unless written approval for earlier disposal is granted by the tax commissioner.
- (f) Brewpubs shall keep such records as required by the federal government and may, in lieu of the record-keeping and reporting requirements contained in subsections (a) through (e) of this section, file copies of the federal reports contemporaneously with the tax commissioner at the time of such filings with the federal government. The filing of duplicate copies of the federal reports with the state tax commissioner shall be deemed as compliance with subsections (a) through (e) of this section.

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