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S.B. No. 1391

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to package store tasting permits.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Sections 52.01(b), (e), (j), and (k), Alcoholic Beverage Code, are amended to read as follows:

(b) Written notification of a product tasting must be posted on the licensed premises of the permit holder's package store ~~made to the commission by mailing a letter to the commission~~ not later than 48 ~~72~~ hours before the tasting event. The notification shall clearly state:

(1) the type and brand of alcoholic beverage to be tasted;

(2) the date and hours the tasting is to take place; and

(3) the address of the premises where the tasting is to occur.

(e) Not more than 20 different products may be made available for tasting at [At] any one time ~~, not more than two of the following categories may be tasted:~~

~~[(1) distilled spirits,~~

~~[(2) wine, or~~

~~[(3) beer and coolers].~~

(j) At the conclusion of the tasting, all empty or open containers of alcoholic beverages used in the tasting shall be

1 removed from the premises or stored in a locked, secure area on the  
2 licensed premises.

3 (k) A tasting event authorized by this section may not be  
4 advertised except by on-site communications, ~~or~~ by direct mail,  
5 by electronic mail, or on the permit holder's Internet website.

6 SECTION 2. Section 52.01(f), Alcoholic Beverage Code, is  
7 repealed.

8 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.