

AN ACT

relating to services provided by manufacturers and distributors of beer to beer retailers.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 108, Alcoholic Beverage Code, is amended by adding Section 108.041 to read as follows:

Sec. 108.041. CARBON DIOXIDE FILTERS PROVIDED TO RETAILERS.

(a) A manufacturer or distributor of beer may provide carbon dioxide filters to beer retailers for draught systems using carbon dioxide or a carbon dioxide and nitrogen blend, commonly referred to as "beer gas."

(b) The cost of providing, maintaining, and replacing the carbon dioxide filters shall be borne by the manufacturer.

SECTION 2. The Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission shall adopt rules implementing Section 108.041, Alcoholic Beverage Code, as added by this Act, not later than January 1, 2006.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1472 passed the Senate on April 28, 2005, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0; and that the Senate concurred in House amendment on May 17, 2005, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1472 passed the House, with amendment, on May 10, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

Date

Governor