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                                          A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
                                                    AN ACT
        relating to the sale of glassware and nonalcoholic beverages by
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        certain wholesalers and distributors.
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                 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
        SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 102, Alcoholic Beverage Code, is amended by adding Section 102.071 to read as follows:
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                 Sec. 102.071.
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                                       SALE OF GLASSWARE AND NONALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.
              In this section:

(1) "Branded glassware" means glassware that contains name, emblem, or logo of or any reference to a brand of
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        (a)
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        the name,
        alcoholic beverage.

(2) "Unbranded glassware" means glassware that does
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        not contain the name, emblem, or logo of or any reference to a brand
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        of alcoholic beverage.
                  (b) Notwithstanding Sections 102.04 and 102.07 or any other
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        provision of this code, the holder of a wholesaler's permit who is
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        primarily engaged in the wholesale sale of distilled spirits and
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        wine may sell branded or unbranded glassware to retailers, provided
        that the glassware is not marketed or sold in a manner:
(1) to influence a retailer to purchase any quantity
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        of alcoholic beverages;
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                          (2) to affect the terms by which a retailer may
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        purchase alcoholic beverages; or
                         (3) that threatens the independence of a retailer. Section 102.32 applies to payment for unbranded
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        glassware or glassware bearing the name, emblem, or logo of a brand
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        of distilled spirits or wine by the holder of a wholesaler's permit
        under Subsection (b).

(d) Sections 61.73 and 102.31 apply to payment for glassware bearing the name, emblem, or logo of a brand of malt beverage by the
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        holder of a wholesaler's permit or a distributor's license.
        (e) Section 102.32 applies to payment for a nonalcoholic beverage sold by the holder of a wholesaler's permit or a distributor's license to a retailer if:

(1) the nonalcoholic beverage is produced or sold by a
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        manufacturer of alcoholic beverages other than malt beverages; or
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                         (2) the name, emblem, logo, or brand of a manufacturer
            alcoholic beverages other than malt beverages appears on the pel of the nonalcoholic beverage.

(f) Sections 61.73 and 102.31 apply to payment for a
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        <u>label</u> of
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        nonalcoholic beverage sold by the holder of a wholesaler's permit
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        or a distributor's license to a retailer if:

(1) the nonalcoholic beverage is produced or sold by a
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        manufacturer of malt beverages; or

(2) the name, emblem, logo, or brand of a manufacturer
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             malt beverages appears on the label of the nonalcoholic
        beverage.
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        (g) For the purposes of Subchapters C and D, the sale, by the holder of a distributor's license, of a nonalcoholic beverage produced or sold by a manufacturer of malt beverages or that bears
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        the name, emblem, logo, or brand of a manufacturer of malt beverages is the same as a sale of beer.
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SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.