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H.B. No. 602

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to authorizing certain brewers and manufacturers to  
3 conduct tours of their premises after which beer or ale is provided  
4 to ultimate consumers for off-premises consumption.

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

6 SECTION 1. Chapter 12, Alcoholic Beverage Code, is amended  
7 by adding Section 12.07 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 12.07. TOUR OF PERMITTED PREMISES. (a) The holder of  
9 a brewer's permit may give tours of the brewery premises and may  
10 charge an admission fee for the tour.

11 (b) The holder of a brewer's permit may, at the end of a tour  
12 of the brewery premises, give ale or beer to tour participants in  
13 unbroken packages for off-premises consumption without an  
14 additional charge.

15 (c) The total amount of ale a tour participant may receive  
16 in a single day under this section, together with the amount of beer  
17 the tour participant receives under Section 62.15 at the same  
18 premises, may not exceed 48 12-ounce bottles.

19 (d) This section does not authorize the holder of a brewer's  
20 permit to sell ale to an ultimate consumer.

21 SECTION 2. Chapter 62, Alcoholic Beverage Code, is amended  
22 by adding Section 62.15 to read as follows:

23 Sec. 62.15. TOUR OF LICENSED PREMISES. (a) The holder of a  
24 manufacturer's license may give tours of the manufacturer's

1 premises and may charge an admission fee for the tour.

2 (b) The holder of a manufacturer's license may, at the end  
3 of a tour of the manufacturer's premises, give beer or ale to tour  
4 participants in unbroken packages for off-premises consumption  
5 without an additional charge.

6 (c) The total amount of beer a tour participant may receive  
7 in a single day under this section, together with the amount of ale  
8 the tour participant receives under Section 12.07 at the same  
9 premises, may not exceed 48 12-ounce bottles.

10 (d) This section does not authorize the holder of a  
11 manufacturer's license to sell beer to an ultimate consumer.

12 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
13 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
14 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
15 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
16 Act takes effect September 1, 2011.