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S.B. No. 655

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the sale of distilled spirits to ultimate consumers by the holder of a distiller's and rectifier's permit.

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

SECTION 1. Sections 14.05(a), (b), and (f), Alcoholic Beverage Code, are amended to read as follows:

(a) The holder of a distiller's and rectifier's permit whose permitted premises is located in an area where the sale of alcoholic beverages is legal as provided by a ballot issue approved by the voters under Section 501.035(b)(7), (8), or (9), Election Code, may sell to ultimate consumers for consumption on or off the permitted premises distilled spirits manufactured or rectified by the permit holder in an amount not to exceed 12,500 [~~3,000~~] gallons annually.

(b) The holder of a distiller's and rectifier's permit may sell distilled spirits manufactured by the permit holder to ultimate consumers for off-premises consumption in unbroken packages containing not more than 750 milliliters of distilled spirits for off-premises consumption [~~in an amount not to exceed 3,500 gallons annually~~] if:

(1) for a permit issued on or after September 1, 2013, the permitted premises is located in an area where the sale of alcoholic beverages is legal as provided by a ballot issue approved by the voters under Section 501.035(b)(5), (6), or (7), Election Code; or

1 (2) for a permit issued before September 1, 2013, the
2 permitted premises is located in an area where the sale of alcoholic
3 beverages is legal as provided by a ballot issue approved by the
4 voters under Section 501.035(b)(5), (6), (7), (8), or (9), Election
5 Code.

6 (f) The permit holder must ~~[check a purchaser's~~
7 ~~identification and]~~ keep records of sales ~~[purchases]~~ in a manner
8 that enables the permit holder to comply with this section.

9 SECTION 2. Section 14.05(c), Alcoholic Beverage Code, is
10 repealed.

11 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.