By: VanDeaver H.B. No. 4463

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 4463:

By: Phelan C.S.H.B. No. 4463

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to authorized activities of a brewer's or nonresident
- 3 brewer's license holder; authorizing a fee increase.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Sections 62.14(a) and (b-1), Alcoholic Beverage
- 6 Code, are amended to read as follows:
- 7 (a) The holder of a brewer's or nonresident brewer's license
- 8 may contract with the holder of a brewer's or nonresident brewer's
- 9 license:
- 10 (1) to provide manufacturing services; or
- 11 (2) for the use of the license holder's manufacturing
- 12 facilities under an alternating brewery proprietorship if each
- 13 party to the proprietorship:
- 14 (A) has filed the appropriate Brewer's Notice and
- 15 Brewer's Bond as required by the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade
- 16 Bureau of the United States Department of the Treasury; and
- 17 (B) if applicable, has posted with the commission
- 18 a bond in an amount determined by the commission under Subsection
- 19 (d) or (e).
- 20 (b-1) Each entity that is a party to an alternating brewery
- 21 proprietorship or contract brewing arrangement must hold a brewer's
- 22 license in this state at the location where brewing services are
- 23 conducted under the arrangement.
- SECTION 2. Section 63.01, Alcoholic Beverage Code, is

- 1 amended to read as follows:
- 2 Sec. 63.01. AUTHORIZED ACTIVITIES. (a) The holder of a
- 3 nonresident brewer's license may transport or cause to be
- 4 transported malt beverages into Texas only to holders of brewer's
- 5 or distributor's licenses. The nonresident brewer's licensee may
- 6 transport the malt beverages in carriers or vehicles operated by
- 7 holders of carrier's permits or in motor vehicles owned or leased by
- 8 the nonresident brewer. The malt beverages must be shipped in
 - barrels or other containers in accordance with the provisions of
- 10 this code and may not be shipped into the state in tank cars.
- 11 (b) The holder of a nonresident brewer's license may
- 12 transport or cause to be transported malt beverages into Texas from
- 13 any of the license holder's locations outside of this state under
- 14 the license. The holder is not required to hold a separate
- 15 nonresident brewer's license for each location outside of this
- 16 state.
- 17 <u>(c) The holder of a nonresident brewer's license may enter</u>
- 18 into a contract with the holder of a brewer's license under Section
- 19 62.14 and engage in any activity authorized under that section.
- 20 SECTION 3. Chapter 63, Alcoholic Beverage Code, is amended
- 21 by adding Section 63.06 to read as follows:
- Sec. 63.06. RESTRICTION AS TO SOURCE OF SUPPLY;
- 23 CONSTRUCTION OF OTHER LAW. (a) No holder of a nonresident brewer's
- 24 license may solicit, accept, or fill an order for malt beverages
- 25 <u>from a holder of a brewer's or distributor's license unless the</u>
- 26 nonresident brewer is the primary American source of supply for the
- 27 brand of malt beverages that is ordered.

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- 1 (b) A nonresident brewer that is the primary American source
- 2 of supply for a malt beverage is considered the brewer of the malt
- 3 beverage for purposes of Subchapters C and D, Chapter 102.
- 4 (c) In this section, "primary American source of supply"
- 5 means the brewer, the producer, the owner of the commodity at the
- 6 time it becomes a marketable product, the bottler, or the exclusive
- 7 agent of any of those. To be the "primary American source of
- 8 supply" the nonresident brewer must be the first source, that is,
- 9 the manufacturer or the source closest to the manufacturer, in the
- 10 channel of commerce from whom the product can be secured by Texas
- 11 distributors or brewers. A product may have only one primary
- 12 American source of supply to Texas.
- SECTION 4. Section 63.05, Alcoholic Beverage Code, is
- 14 repealed.
- SECTION 5. As soon as practicable after the effective date
- 16 of this Act, the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission shall adopt
- 17 rules to implement the changes in law made by this Act, including
- 18 rules to adjust, including by increasing, fees assessed by the
- 19 commission under Section 5.50, Alcoholic Beverage Code, on
- 20 applicants for an original or renewal certificate, permit, or
- 21 license issued by the commission as necessary to ensure the amount
- 22 of the fees for an original or renewal certificate, permit, or
- 23 license is sufficient to cover the costs incurred by the commission
- 24 in administering the Alcoholic Beverage Code, as required by
- 25 Section 5.50, Alcoholic Beverage Code.
- 26 SECTION 6. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.