AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1617

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- Amend Bill, page 1, line 18, by inserting after "for" 1
- 2 interlocking business prohibited, for
- 3 Amend Bill, page 1, line 19, by striking out the period after
- 4 "county" and inserting
- 5 and for unlawful acts relative to liquor, malt and brewed
- 6 beverages and licensees.
- Amend Bill, page 1, lines 22 through 24, by striking out all 7
- 8 of said lines and inserting
- 9 Section 1. Section 411(e) of the act of April 12, 1951 10 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, is amended and the
- 11 section is amended by adding a subsection to read:
- Section 411. Interlocking Business Prohibited. --* * * 12
- 13 (e) Except as herein provided, no hotel, restaurant, retail
- dispenser or club licensee, and no officer, director or 14
- stockholder, agent or employe of any such licensee shall in any 15
- wise be interested, directly or indirectly, in the ownership or 16
- leasehold of any property or the equipment of any property or 17
- 18 any mortgage lien against the same, used by a distributor,
- 19 importing distributor, or by an importer or sacramental wine
- licensee, in the conduct of his business; nor shall any hotel, 20
- 21 restaurant, retail dispenser or club licensee, or any officer,
- 22 director, stockholder, agent or employe of any such licensee,
- either directly or indirectly, lend any moneys, credit, or give 23
- 24 anything of value or the equivalent thereof, to any distributor,
- importing distributor, importer or sacramental wine licensee, 25
- 26 for equipping, fitting out, or maintaining and conducting,
- 27 either in whole or in part, an establishment used in the conduct
- 28 of his business.
- 29 The purpose of this section is to require a separation of the
- 30 financial and business interests between manufacturers and
- holders of hotel or restaurant liquor licenses and, as herein 31
- 32 provided, of club licenses, issued under this article, and no
- person shall, by any device whatsoever, directly or indirectly, 33
- 34 evade the provisions of the section. But in view of existing
- 35 economic conditions, nothing contained in this section shall be

construed to prohibit the ownership of property or conflicting interest by a manufacturer of any place occupied by a licensee under this article after the manufacturer has continuously owned and had a conflicting interest in such place for a period of at least five years prior to July eighteenth, one thousand nine hundred thirty-five: Provided, however, That this clause shall 7 not prohibit any hotel, restaurant or club liquor licensee, or any officer, director or stockholder of any such licensee, from 9 owning land or buildings which are leased to a holder of a retail dispenser's license or a manufacturer's license: And, 10 11 provided further, That nothing contained in this section shall 12 be construed to prohibit any hotel, restaurant, retail dispenser 13 or club licensee or any officer, director or stockholder, agent or employe of any such licensee from having a financial or other 14 15 interest, directly or indirectly in the ownership or leasehold 16 of any property or the equipment of any property or any mortgage lien against same, used, leased by an importer or sacramental 17 18 wine licensee for the exclusive purpose of maintaining commercial offices and on the condition that said property is 19 20 not used for the storage or sale of liquor or malt or brewed 21 beverages in any quantity: And, provided further, That nothing 22 contained in this section shall prohibit an officer or member of 23 a licensed privately owned private golf course catering club from having an interest in a limited winery license: And, 24 25 provided further, That nothing contained in this section shall be construed to prohibit a member of the governing board of a 26 27 public authority created under subdivision (n) of Article XXIII 28 of the act of August 9, 1955 (P.L.323, No.130), known as "The 29 County Code, " from having an interest in a distributor or 30 importing distributor license notwithstanding the fact that the 31 public authority has an interest in one or more retail licenses 32 or acts as a landlord for one or more retail licenses: And, 33 provided further, That, nothing in this section may prohibit an 34 employe of a hotel or restaurant licensee from guaranteeing any 35 loans, or lending any moneys, providing credit or giving 36 anything of value to a limited winery licensee or its officers, 37 directors and shareholders, provided that the person also is not 38 an officer of or does not have any interest in or exercise any 39 control over any other licensed entity that engages in any sales to or from the licensee: And, provided further, That, 40 41 notwithstanding any other provision of this section, an entity 42 may acquire both a manufacturer's license or a limited winery license and a hotel, restaurant or retail dispenser license for 43 44 use at the same location and more than one location may be so licensed. And, provided further, That, notwithstanding any other 45 provision of this section, an entity licensed as a limited 46 47 winery may hold and operate a restaurant liquor license at one of its additional, board-approved locations instead of at its 48 49 primary location where manufacturing occurs. The licenses and a 50 person's interest in the licenses or in the entity holding the 51 licenses shall not be subject to this section. Provided further,

That, a person who is a holder of ten per centum (10%) or less of securities or other interests in a publicly or privately held domestic or foreign corporation, partnership, limited liability company or other form of legal entity owning a retail license shall not be deemed to possess a financial interest and is not subject to the provisions of this section, provided that the person is not an officer of, employe of or does not have any interest in or exercise any control over any other licensed entity that engages in any sales to or from the retail licensee 9 in which the person holds the ten per centum (10%) or less 10 11 interest.[: And, provided further, That nothing in this section 12 shall prohibit a person who has an ownership interest in a limited winery license from being employed by an entity that 13 14 holds a hotel, restaurant, eating place or club license if the 15 person is not employed as alcohol service personnel or as 16 manager.]

(e.1) Nothing in subsection (e) shall prohibit any of the following:

- (1) A person who has an ownership interest in a limited winery license from being employed by an entity that holds a hotel, restaurant, eating place or club license if the person is not employed as alcohol service personnel or as manager.
- (2) A person who has an ownership interest in a brewery license from being employed by an entity that holds a hotel, restaurant, eating place or club license if the person has no job duties or responsibilities on, or connected with, the licensed premises in any capacity.

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Section 2. Section 461(c) of the act is amended by adding a clause to read:

31 Amend Bill, page 3, by inserting between lines 8 and 9

Section 3. Section 493(11) of the act is amended to read:
Section 493. Unlawful Acts Relative to Liquor, Malt and
Brewed Beverages and Licensees.—The term "licensee," when used
in this section, shall mean those persons licensed under the
provisions of Article IV, unless the context clearly indicates
otherwise.

It shall be unlawful--

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40 (11) Licensees Employed by Others. For any hotel, restaurant or club liquor licensee, or any malt or brewed beverage 41 licensee, or any officer, servant, agent or employe of such 42 43 licensee, to be at the same time employed, directly or indirectly, by any distributor, importing distributor, 44 manufacturer, importer or vendor licensee or any out of State 45 46 manufacturer. It shall also be unlawful for any distributor or 47 importing distributor, or any officer, servant, agent or employe 48 of such licensee, to be at the same time employed, directly or 49 indirectly, by any other distributor, importing distributor,

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manufacturer, importer, vendor, out of State manufacturer, hotel
 2 restaurant, malt or brewed beverage licensee, or club liquor
 3 licensee. It shall also be unlawful for any manufacturer,
   importer, or vendor licensee, or any out of State manufacturer,
 5 or any officer, servant, agent or employe of such licensee or
   manufacturer, to be at the same time employed, directly or
   indirectly, by any hotel, restaurant or club liquor licensee or
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   any malt or brewed beverage licensee or any distributor or
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   winery premises pursuant to section 443. For the purposes of
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   ownership interest in the licensee or manufacturer or who
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   receives compensation for his or her work on behalf of the
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   licensee or manufacturer: Provided further, That nothing in this
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   holds a hotel, restaurant, eating place or club license if the
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   person is not employed as alcohol service personnel or as a
   manager[.]: And, provided further, That nothing in this section
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   shall prohibit a person who has an ownership interest in a
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   hotel, restaurant, eating place or club license if the person
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   has no job duties or responsibilities on, or connected with, the
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Amend Bill, page 3, line 9, by striking out "2" and inserting

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