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Sub. S. B. No. 131

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A BILL

To amend sections 4301.17, 4301.62, 4301.99,
4303.181, 4303.29, and 4303.292, to enact section
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4301.65, and to repeal section 4303.273 of the
Revised Code to revise the laws governing liquor
control.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That sections 4301.17, 4301.62, 4301.99, 4303.181,	6
4303.29, and 4303.292 be amended and section 4301.65 of the	7
Revised Code be enacted to read as follows:	8

Sec. 4301.17. (A)(1) Subject to local option as provided in 9 sections 4301.32 to 4301.40 of the Revised Code, five state liquor 10 stores or agencies may be established in each county. One 11 additional store may be established in any county for each 12 twenty-five thousand of population of that county or major 13 fraction thereof in excess of the first forty thousand, according 14 to the last preceding federal decennial census or according to the 15 population estimates certified by the department of development 16 between decennial censuses. A person engaged in a mercantile 17 business may act as the agent for the division of liquor control 18 for the sale of spirituous liquor in a municipal corporation, in 19 the unincorporated area of a township, or in an area designated 20

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and approved as a resort area under section 4303.262 of the 21 Revised Code. The division shall fix the compensation for such an 22 agent in the manner it considers best, but the compensation shall 23 not exceed seven per cent of the gross sales made by the agent in 24 any one year.

- (2) The division shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 26 119. of the Revised Code governing the allocation and equitable 27 distribution of agency store contracts. The division shall comply 28 with the rules when awarding a contract under division (A)(1) of 29 this section.
- (3) Except as otherwise provided in this section, no mercantile business that sells beer or intoxicating liquor for consumption on the premises under a permit issued by the division shall operate an agency store at the premises. An agency to which a D-1 permit has been issued may offer for sale tasting samples of beer, an agency to which a D-2 permit has been issued may offer for sale tasting samples of wine and mixed beverages, and an agency to which a D-5 permit has been issued may offer for sale tasting samples of beer, wine, and mixed beverages, but not spirituous liquor. A tasting sample shall not be sold for the purpose of general consumption. As used in this section, "tasting sample" means a small amount of beer, wine, or mixed beverages that is provided in not more than four servings of not more than two ounces each to an authorized purchaser and that allows the purchaser to determine, by tasting only, the quality and character of the beverage.
- (B) When an agency contract is proposed ex, when an existing 47 agency contract is assigned, when an existing agency proposes to 48 relocate, or when an existing agency is relocated and assigned, 49 before entering into any contract ex, consenting to any 50 assignment, or consenting to any relocation, the division shall 51 notify the legislative authority of the municipal corporation in 52

which the agency store is to be located, or the board of county 53 commissioners and the board of township trustees of the county and 54 the township in which the agency store is to be located if the 55 agency store is to be located outside the corporate limits of a 56 municipal corporation, of the proposed contract or, assignment, or 57 relocation, and an opportunity shall be provided officials or 58 employees of the municipal corporation or county and township for 59 a complete hearing upon the advisability of entering into the 60 contract or consenting to the assignment or relocation. When the 61 division sends notice to the legislative authority of the 62 political subdivision, the division shall notify, by certified 63 mail or by personal service, the chief peace officer of the 64 political subdivision, who may appear and testify, either in 65 person or through a representative, at any hearing held on the 66 advisability of entering into the contract or consenting to the 67 assignment or relocation. 68

If the proposed agency store, the assignment of an agency 69 contract, or the relocation of an agency store would be located 70 within five hundred feet of a school, church, library, public 71 playground, or township park, the division shall not enter into an 72 agency contract until it has provided notice of the proposed 73 contract to the authorities in control of the school, church, 74 library, public playground, or township park and has provided 75 those authorities with an opportunity for a complete hearing upon 76 the advisability of entering into the contract. If an agency store 77 so located is operating under an agency contract, the division may 78 consent to relocation of the agency store or to the assignment of 79 that contract to operate an agency store at the same location, but 80 the. The division may also consent to the assignment of an 81 existing agency contract simultaneously with the relocation of the 82 agency store. In any such assignment or relocation, the assignee 83 and the location shall be subject to the same requirements that 84 the existing location met at the time that the contract was first 85

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entered into as well as any additional requirements imposed by the	86
division in rules adopted by the superintendent of liquor control.	87
The division shall not consent to an assignment or relocation of	88
an agency store until it has notified the authorities in control	89
of the school, church, library, public playground, or township	90
park and has provided those authorities with an opportunity for a	91
complete hearing upon the advisability of consenting to the	92
assignment <u>or relocation</u> .	93

Any hearing provided for in this division shall be held in the central office of the division, except that upon written request of the legislative authority of the municipal corporation, the board of county commissioners, the board of township trustees, or the authorities in control of the school, church, library, public playground, or township park, the hearing shall be held in the county seat of the county where the proposed agency store is to be located.

(C) All agency contracts entered into by the division 102 pursuant to this section shall be in writing and shall contain a 103 clause providing for the termination of the contract at will by 104 the division upon its giving ninety days' notice in writing to the 105 agent of its intention to do so. Any agency contract may include a 106 clause requiring the agent to report to the appropriate law 107 enforcement agency the name and address of any individual under 108 twenty-one years of age who attempts to make an illegal purchase. 109

An agent may engage in the selling of beer, mixed beverages, 110 and wine pursuant to permits issued to the agent under Chapter 111 4303. of the Revised Code. 112

The division shall issue a C-1 and C-2 permit to each agent 113 who prior to November 1, 1994, had not been issued both of these 114 permits, notwithstanding the population quota restrictions 115 contained in section 4303.29 of the Revised Code or in any rule of 116 the liquor control commission and notwithstanding the requirements 117

of section 4303.31 of the Revised Code. The location of a C-1 or	118
C-2 permit issued to such an agent shall not be transferred. The	119
division shall revoke any C-1 or C-2 permit issued to an agent	120
under this paragraph if the agent no longer operates an agency	121
store.	122

The division may enter into agreements with the department of development to implement a minority loan program to provide 124 low-interest loans to minority business enterprises, as defined in 125 section 122.71 of the Revised Code, that are awarded liquor agency 126 contracts or assignments.

(D) If the division closes a state liquor store and replaces 128 that store with an agency store, any employees of the division 129 employed at that state liquor store who lose their jobs at that 130 store as a result shall be given preference by the agent who 131 operates the agency store in filling any vacancies that occur 132 among the agent's employees, if that preference does not conflict 133 with the agent's obligations pursuant to a collective bargaining 134 agreement. 135

If the division closes a state liquor store and replaces the 136 store with an agency store, any employees of the division employed 137 at the state liquor store who lose their jobs at that store as a 138 result may displace other employees as provided in sections 139 124.321 to 124.328 of the Revised Code. If an employee cannot 140 displace other employees and is laid off, the employee shall be 141 reinstated in another job as provided in sections 124.321 to 142 124.328 of the Revised Code, except that the employee's rights of 143 reinstatement in a job at a state liquor store shall continue for 144 a period of two years after the date of the employee's layoff and 145 shall apply to jobs at state liquor stores located in the 146 employee's layoff jurisdiction and any layoff jurisdiction 147 adjacent to the employee's layoff jurisdiction. 148

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where the operator of the limousine is located.	208
(3) The limousine is located on any street, highway, or other	209
public or private property open to the public for purposes of	210
vehicular travel or parking.	211
(E) An opened bottle of wine that was purchased from the	212
holder of a permit that authorizes the sale of wine for	213
consumption on the premises where sold is not an opened container	214
for the purposes of this section if both of the following apply:	215
(1) The opened bottle of wine is securely resealed by the	216
permit holder or an employee of the permit holder before the	217
bottle is removed from the premises. The bottle shall be secured	218
in such a manner that it is visibly apparent if the bottle has	219
been subsequently opened or tampered with.	220
(2) The opened bottle of wine that is resealed in accordance	221
with division (E)(1) of this section is stored in the trunk of a	222
motor vehicle or, if the motor vehicle does not have a trunk,	223
behind the last upright seat or in an area not normally occupied	224
by the driver or passengers and not easily accessible by the	225
driver.	226
Sec. 4301.65. (A) As used in this section, "alcohol	227
vaporizing device means a machine or other device that mixes beer	228
or intoxicating liquor with pure oxygen or any other gas to	229
produce a vaporized product for the purpose of consumption by	230
inhalation.	231
(B) No person shall sell or offer for sale an alcohol	232
vaporizing device.	233
(C) No person shall purchase or use an alcohol vaporizing	234
device.	235
Sec. 4301.99. (A) Whoever violates section 4301.47, 4301.48,	236

4301.49, 4301.62, or 4301.70 or <u>division (C) of section 4301.65 or</u>	237
division (B) of section 4301.691 of the Revised Code is guilty of	238
a minor misdemeanor.	239
(B) Whoever violates section 4301.15, division (A)(2) or (C)	240
of section 4301.22, division (C), (D), (E), (F), (G), (H), or (I)	241
of section 4301.631, or section 4301.64 or 4301.67 of the Revised	242
Code is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree.	243
If an offender who violates section 4301.64 of the Revised	244
Code was under the age of eighteen years at the time of the	245
offense, the court, in addition to any other penalties it imposes	246
upon the offender, shall suspend the offender's temporary	247
instruction permit, probationary driver's license, or driver's	248
license for a period of not less than six months and not more than	249
one year. If the offender is fifteen years and six months of age	250
or older and has not been issued a temporary instruction permit or	251
probationary driver's license, the offender shall not be eligible	252
to be issued such a license or permit for a period of six months.	253
If the offender has not attained the age of fifteen years and six	254
months, the offender shall not be eligible to be issued a	255
temporary instruction permit until the offender attains the age of	256
sixteen years.	257
(C) Whoever violates division (D) of section 4301.21, section	258
4301.251, 4301.58, 4301.59, 4301.60, 4301.633, 4301.66, 4301.68,	259
or 4301.74, division (B), (C), (D), (E)(1), or (F) of section	260
4301.69, or division (C), (D), (E), (F), (G), or (I) of section	261
4301.691 of the Revised Code is guilty of a misdemeanor of the	262
first degree.	263
If an offender who violates division (E)(1) of section	264
4301.69 of the Revised Code was under the age of eighteen years at	265
the time of the offense and the offense occurred while the	266

offender was the operator of or a passenger in a motor vehicle,

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the court, in addition to any other penalties it imposes upon the offender, shall suspend the offender's temporary instruction permit or probationary driver's license for a period of not less than six months and not more than one year. If the offender is fifteen years and six months of age or older and has not been issued a temporary instruction permit or probationary driver's license, the offender shall not be eligible to be issued such a license or permit for a period of six months. If the offender has not attained the age of fifteen years and six months, the offender shall not be eligible to be issued a temporary instruction permit until the offender attains the age of sixteen years.

- (D) Whoever violates division (B) of section 4301.14, or 279 division (A)(1) or (3) or (B) of section 4301.22 of the Revised 280 Code is guilty of a misdemeanor of the third degree. 281
- (E) Whoever violates section 4301.63 or division (B) of 282 section 4301.631 of the Revised Code shall be fined not less than 283 twenty-five nor more than one hundred dollars. The court imposing 284 a fine for a violation of section 4301.63 or division (B) of 285 section 4301.631 of the Revised Code may order that the fine be 286 paid by the performance of public work at a reasonable hourly rate 287 established by the court. The court shall designate the time 288 within which the public work shall be completed. 289
- (F)(1) Whoever violates section 4301.634 of the Revised Code 290 is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree. If, in committing 291 a first violation of that section, the offender presented to the 292 permit holder or the permit holder's employee or agent a false, 293 fictitious, or altered identification card, a false or fictitious 294 driver's license purportedly issued by any state, or a driver's 295 license issued by any state that has been altered, the offender is 296 guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree and shall be fined not 297 less than two hundred fifty and not more than one thousand 298 dollars, and may be sentenced to a term of imprisonment of not 299

more than six months.

- (2) On a second violation in which, for the second time, the 301 offender presented to the permit holder or the permit holder's 302 employee or agent a false, fictitious, or altered identification 303 card, a false or fictitious driver's license purportedly issued by 304 any state, or a driver's license issued by any state that has been 305 altered, the offender is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first 306 degree and shall be fined not less than five hundred nor more than 307 one thousand dollars, and may be sentenced to a term of 308 imprisonment of not more than six months. The court also may 309 impose a class seven suspension of the offender's driver's or 310 commercial driver's license or permit or nonresident operating 311 privilege from the range specified in division (A)(7) of section 312 4510.02 of the Revised Code. 313
- (3) On a third or subsequent violation in which, for the 314 third or subsequent time, the offender presented to the permit 315 holder or the permit holder's employee or agent a false, 316 fictitious, or altered identification card, a false or fictitious 317 driver's license purportedly issued by any state, or a driver's 318 license issued by any state that has been altered, the offender is 319 guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree and shall be fined not 320 less than five hundred nor more than one thousand dollars, and may 321 be sentenced to a term of imprisonment of not more than six 322 months. The court also shall impose a class six suspension of the 323 offender's driver's or commercial driver's license or permit or 324 nonresident operating privilege from the range specified in 325 division (A)(6) of section 4510.02 of the Revised Code, and the 326 court may order that the suspension or denial remain in effect 327 until the offender attains the age of twenty-one years. The court 328 also may order the offender to perform a determinate number of 329 hours of community service, with the court determining the actual 330 number of hours and the nature of the community service the 331

in their rooms, which may be sold by means of a controlled access

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alcohol and beverage cabinet in accordance with division (B) of 362 section 4301.21 of the Revised Code; and to sell the same products 363 in the same manner and amounts not for consumption on the premises 364 as may be sold by holders of D-1 and D-2 permits. The premises of 365 the hotel or motel shall include a retail food establishment or a 366 food service operation licensed pursuant to Chapter 3717. of the 367 Revised Code that operates as a restaurant for purposes of this 368 chapter and that is affiliated with the hotel or motel and within 369 or contiguous to the hotel or motel, and that serves food within 370 the hotel or motel, but the principal business of the owner or 371 operator of the hotel or motel shall be the accommodation of 372 transient guests. In addition to the privileges authorized in this 373 division, the holder of a D-5a permit may exercise the same 374 privileges as the holder of a D-5 permit. 375

A D-5a permit shall not be transferred to another location. 383

No quota restriction shall be placed on the number of D-5a permits 384
that may be issued. 385

The fee for this permit is two thousand three hundred forty-four dollars.

(B) Permit D-5b may be issued to the owner, operator, tenant,

lessee, or occupant of an enclosed shopping center to sell beer

and intoxicating liquor at retail, only by the individual drink in

glass and from the container, for consumption on the premises

where sold; and to sell the same products in the same manner and

amount not for consumption on the premises as may be sold by

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holders of D-1 and D-2 permits. In addition to the privileges	394
authorized in this division, the holder of a D-5b permit may	395
exercise the same privileges as a holder of a D-5 permit.	396

A D-5b permit shall not be transferred to another location.

One D-5b permit may be issued at an enclosed shopping center 398 containing at least two hundred twenty-five thousand, but less 399 than four hundred thousand, square feet of floor area. 400

Two D-5b permits may be issued at an enclosed shopping center 401 containing at least four hundred thousand square feet of floor 402 area. No more than one D-5b permit may be issued at an enclosed 403 shopping center for each additional two hundred thousand square 404 feet of floor area or fraction of that floor area, up to a maximum 405 of five D-5b permits for each enclosed shopping center. The number 406 of D-5b permits that may be issued at an enclosed shopping center 407 shall be determined by subtracting the number of D-3 and D-5 408 permits issued in the enclosed shopping center from the number of 409 D-5b permits that otherwise may be issued at the enclosed shopping 410 center under the formulas provided in this division. Except as 411 provided in this section, no quota shall be placed on the number 412 of D-5b permits that may be issued. Notwithstanding any quota 413 provided in this section, the holder of any D-5b permit first 414 issued in accordance with this section is entitled to its renewal 415 in accordance with section 4303.271 of the Revised Code. 416

The holder of a D-5b permit issued before April 4, 1984, 417 whose tenancy is terminated for a cause other than nonpayment of 418 rent, may return the D-5b permit to the division of liquor 419 control, and the division shall cancel that permit. Upon 420 cancellation of that permit and upon the permit holder's payment 421 of taxes, contributions, premiums, assessments, and other debts 422 owing or accrued upon the date of cancellation to this state and 423 its political subdivisions and a filing with the division of a 424

certification of that payment, the division shall issue to that	425
person either a D-5 permit, or a D-1, a D-2, and a D-3 permit, as	426
that person requests. The division shall issue the D-5 permit, or	427
the D-1, D-2, and D-3 permits, even if the number of D-1, D-2,	428
D-3, or D-5 permits currently issued in the municipal corporation	429
or in the unincorporated area of the township where that person's	430
proposed premises is located equals or exceeds the maximum number	431
of such permits that can be issued in that municipal corporation	432
or in the unincorporated area of that township under the	433
population quota restrictions contained in section 4303.29 of the	434
Revised Code. Any D-1, D-2, D-3, or D-5 permit so issued shall not	435
be transferred to another location. If a D-5b permit is canceled	436
under the provisions of this paragraph, the number of D-5b permits	437
that may be issued at the enclosed shopping center for which the	438
D-5b permit was issued, under the formula provided in this	439
division, shall be reduced by one if the enclosed shopping center	440
was entitled to more than one D-5b permit under the formula.	441
was circulated to more chair one p-sp permit under the rormata.	

The fee for this permit is two thousand three hundred 442 forty-four dollars. 443

(C) Permit D-5c may be issued to the owner or operator of a 444 retail food establishment or a food service operation licensed 445 pursuant to Chapter 3717. of the Revised Code that operates as a 446 restaurant for purposes of this chapter and that qualifies under 447 the other requirements of this section to sell beer and any 448 intoxicating liquor at retail, only by the individual drink in 449 glass and from the container, for consumption on the premises 450 where sold, and to sell the same products in the same manner and 451 amounts not for consumption on the premises as may be sold by 452 holders of D-1 and D-2 permits. In addition to the privileges 453 authorized in this division, the holder of a D-5c permit may 454 exercise the same privileges as the holder of a D-5 permit. 455

To qualify for a D-5c permit, the owner or operator of a

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retail food establishment or a food service operation licensed	457
pursuant to Chapter 3717. of the Revised Code that operates as a	458
restaurant for purposes of this chapter, shall have operated the	459
restaurant at the proposed premises for not less than twenty-four	460
consecutive months immediately preceding the filing of the	461
application for the permit, have applied for a D-5 permit no later	462
than December 31, 1988, and appear on the division's quota waiting	463
list for not less than six months immediately preceding the filing	464
of the application for the permit. In addition to these	465
requirements, the proposed D-5c permit premises shall be located	466
within a municipal corporation and further within an election	467
precinct that, at the time of the application, has no more than	468
twenty-five per cent of its total land area zoned for residential	469
use.	470

A D-5c permit shall not be transferred to another location. 471

No quota restriction shall be placed on the number of such permits 472

that may be issued. 473

Any person who has held a D-5c permit for at least two years 474 may apply for a D-5 permit, and the division of liquor control 475 shall issue the D-5 permit notwithstanding the quota restrictions 476 contained in section 4303.29 of the Revised Code or in any rule of 477 the liquor control commission.

The fee for this permit is one thousand five hundred sixty-three dollars.

(D) Permit D-5d may be issued to the owner or operator of a 481 retail food establishment or a food service operation licensed 482 pursuant to Chapter 3717. of the Revised Code that operates as a 483 restaurant for purposes of this chapter and that is located at an 484 airport operated by a board of county commissioners pursuant to 485 section 307.20 of the Revised Code, at an airport operated by a 486 port authority pursuant to Chapter 4582. of the Revised Code, or 487

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at an airport operated by a regional airport authority pursuant to	488
Chapter 308. of the Revised Code. The holder of a D-5d permit may	489
sell beer and any intoxicating liquor at retail, only by the	490
individual drink in glass and from the container, for consumption	491
on the premises where sold, and may sell the same products in the	492
same manner and amounts not for consumption on the premises where	493
sold as may be sold by the holders of D-1 and D-2 permits. In	494
addition to the privileges authorized in this division, the holder	495
of a D-5d permit may exercise the same privileges as the holder of	496
a D-5 permit.	497
A D-5d permit shall not be transferred to another location.	498
No quota restrictions shall be placed on the number of such	499
permits that may be issued.	500
The fee fee this requit is two thousand three hundred	E O 1
The fee for this permit is two thousand three hundred	501
forty-four dollars.	502
(E) Permit D-5e may be issued to any nonprofit organization	503
that is exempt from federal income taxation under the "Internal	504
Revenue Code of 1986, 100 Stat. 2085, 26 U.S.C.A. 501(c)(3), as	505
amended, or that is a charitable organization under any chapter of	506
the Revised Code, and that owns or operates a riverboat that meets	507
all of the following:	508
(1) Is permanently docked at one location;	509
(2) Is designated as an historical riverboat by the Ohio	510
historical society;	511
(3) Contains not less than fifteen hundred square feet of	512
floor area;	513
(4) Has a seating capacity of fifty or more persons.	514
The holder of a D-5e permit may sell beer and intoxicating	515

liquor at retail, only by the individual drink in glass and from

the container, for consumption on the premises where sold.

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A D-5e permit shall not be transferred to another location.	518
No quota restriction shall be placed on the number of such permits	519
that may be issued. The population quota restrictions contained in	520
section 4303.29 of the Revised Code or in any rule of the liquor	521
control commission shall not apply to this division, and the	522
division shall issue a D-5e permit to any applicant who meets the	523
requirements of this division. However, the division shall not	524
issue a D-5e permit if the permit premises or proposed permit	525
premises are located within an area in which the sale of	526
spirituous liquor by the glass is prohibited.	527
The fee for this permit is one thousand two hundred nineteen	528
dollars.	529
(F) Permit D-5f may be issued to the owner or operator of a	530
retail food establishment or a food service operation licensed	531
under Chapter 3717. of the Revised Code that operates as a	532
restaurant for purposes of this chapter and that meets all of the	533
following:	534
(1) It contains not less than twenty-five hundred square feet	535
of floor area.	536
(2) It is located on or in, or immediately adjacent to, the	537
shoreline of, a navigable river.	538
(3) It provides docking space for twenty-five boats.	539
(4) It provides entertainment and recreation, provided that	540
not less than fifty per cent of the business on the permit	541
premises shall be preparing and serving meals for a consideration.	542
In addition cash application for a D Ef pormit shall be	E / 1 2
In addition, each application for a D-5f permit shall be	543

accompanied by a certification from the local legislative

authority that the issuance of the D-5f permit is not inconsistent

with that political subdivision's comprehensive development plan

or other economic development goal as officially established by

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(1) It is located in a municipal corporation or a township

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following requirements:

(a) It is located in a municipal corporation with a

(K)(1) Permit D-5k may be issued to any nonprofit	700
organization that is exempt from federal income taxation under the	701
"Internal Revenue Code of 1986," 100 Stat. 2085, 26 U.S.C.A.	702
501(c)(3), as amended, that is the owner or operator of a	703
botanical garden recognized by the American association of	704
botanical gardens and arboreta, and that has not less than	705
twenty-five hundred bona fide members.	706
(2) The holder of a D-5k permit may sell beer and any	707
intoxicating liquor at retail, only by the individual drink in	708
glass and from the container, on the premises where sold.	709
(3) The holder of a D-5k permit shall sell no beer or	710
intoxicating liquor for consumption on the premises where sold	711
after one a.m.	712
(4) A D-5k permit shall not be transferred to another	713
location.	714
(5) No quota restrictions shall be placed on the number of	715
D-5k permits that may be issued.	716
(6) The fee for the D-5k permit is one thousand eight hundred	717
seventy-five dollars.	718
4000 00 (2) 27	510
Sec. 4303.29. (A) No permit, other than an H permit, shall be	719
issued to a firm or partnership unless all the members of the firm	720
or partnership are citizens of the United States and a majority	721
have resided in this state for one year prior to application for	722
the permit. No permit, other than an H permit, shall be issued to	723
an individual who is not a citizen of the United States who has	724
resided in this state for at least one year prior to application	725
for the permit. No permit, other than an E or H permit, shall be	726
issued to any corporation organized under the laws of any country,	727
territory, or state other than this state until it has furnished	728
the division of liquor control with evidence that it has complied	729

that population, and one D-1 and D-2 permit shall be issued for

each two thousand population or part of that population, in each

municipal corporation and in the unincorporated area of each

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township. 762

Subject to division (B)(3)(2)(b) of this section, not more 763 than one D-3, D-4, or D-5 permit shall be issued for each two 764 thousand population or part of that population in any municipal 765 corporation and in the unincorporated area of any township, except 766 that, in any city of a population of fifty-five thousand or more, 767 one D-3 permit may be issued for each fifteen hundred population 768 or part of that population.

(b)(i) Division (B) $\frac{(3)}{(2)}$ (a) of this section does not 770 prohibit the transfer of location or the transfer of ownership and 771 location of a C-1, C-2, D-1, D-2, D-3, or D-5 permit from a 772 municipal corporation or the unincorporated area of a township in 773 which the number of permits of that class exceeds the number of 774 such permits authorized to be issued under division $(B)\frac{(3)}{(2)}(a)$ 775 of this section to an economic development project located in 776 another municipal corporation or the unincorporated area of 777 another township in which no additional permits of that class may 778 be issued to the applicant under division (B)(3)(2)(a) of this 779 section, but the transfer of location or transfer of ownership and 780 location of the permit may occur only if the applicant notifies 781 the municipal corporation or township to which the location of the 782 permit will be transferred regarding the transfer and that 783 municipal corporation or township acknowledges in writing to the 784 division of liquor control, at the time the application for the 785 transfer of location or transfer of ownership and location of the 786 permit is filed, that the transfer will be to an economic 787 development project. This acknowledgment by the municipal 788 corporation or township does not prohibit it from requesting a 789 hearing under section 4303.26 of the Revised Code. The applicant 790 is eligible to apply for and receive the transfer of location of 791 the permit under division (B)(3)(2)(b) of this section if all 792 permits of that class that may be issued under division 793 (a) of this section in the applicable municipal corporation or 794 unincorporated area of the township have already been issued or if 795 the number of applications filed for permits of that class in that 796 municipal corporation or the unincorporated area of that township 797 exceed the number of permits of that class that may be issued 798 there under division (B)(3)(2)(a) of this section. 799

A permit transferred under division $(B)\frac{(3)}{(2)}(b)$ of this section may be subsequently transferred to a different owner at the same location, or to the same owner or a different owner at a different location in the same municipal corporation or in the unincorporated area of the same township, as long as the same or new location meets the economic development project criteria set forth in this section.

(ii) Factors that shall be used to determine the designation of an economic development project include, but are not limited to, architectural certification of the plans and the cost of the project, the number of jobs that will be created by the project, projected earnings of the project, projected tax revenues for the political subdivisions in which the project will be located, and the amount of financial investment in the project. The superintendent of liquor control shall determine whether the existing or proposed business that is seeking a permit described in division (B)(3)(2)(b) of this section qualifies as an economic development project and, if the superintendent determines that it so qualifies, shall designate the business as an economic development project.

(4)(3) Nothing in this section shall be construed to restrict the issuance of a permit to a municipal corporation for use at a municipally owned airport at which commercial airline companies operate regularly scheduled flights on which space is available to the public. A municipal corporation applying for a permit for such

a municipally owned airport is exempt, in regard to that

application, from the population restrictions contained in this

section and from population quota restrictions contained in any

rule of the liquor control commission. A municipal corporation

applying for a D-1, D-2, D-3, D-4, or D-5 permit for such a

municipally owned airport is subject to section 4303.31 of the

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(5)(4) Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit 833 the issuance of a D permit to the board of trustees of a soldiers' 834 memorial for a premises located at a soldiers' memorial 835 established pursuant to Chapter 345. of the Revised Code. An 836 application for a D permit by the board for those premises is 837 exempt from the population restrictions contained in this section 838 and from the population quota restrictions contained in any rule 839 of the liquor control commission. The location of a D permit 840 issued to the board for those premises shall not be transferred. A 841 board of trustees of a soldiers' memorial applying for a D-1, D-2, 842 D-3, D-4, or D-5 permit for the soldiers' memorial is subject to 843 section 4303.31 of the Revised Code. 844

 $\frac{(6)(5)}{(5)}$ Nothing in this section shall be construed to restrict 845 the issuance of a permit for a premises located at a golf course 846 owned by a municipal corporation, township, or county, owned by a 847 park district created under Chapter 1545. of the Revised Code, or 848 owned by the state. The location of such a permit issued on or 849 after September 26, 1984, for a premises located at such a golf 850 course shall not be transferred. Any application for such a permit 851 is exempt from the population quota restrictions contained in this 852 section and from the population quota restrictions contained in 853 any rule of the liquor control commission. A municipal 854 corporation, township, county, park district, or state agency 855 applying for a D-1, D-2, D-3, D-4, or D-5 permit for such a golf 856 course is subject to section 4303.31 of the Revised Code. 857

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(7)(6) As used in division (B)(7)(6) of this section, "fair" 858 has the same meaning as in section 991.01 of the Revised Code, 859 "state fairgrounds" means the property that is held by the state 860 for the purpose of conducting fairs, expositions, and exhibits and 861 that is maintained and managed by the Ohio expositions commission 862 under section 991.03 of the Revised Code, and "capitol square" has 863 the same meaning as in section 105.41 of the Revised Code.

Nothing in this section shall be construed to restrict the issuance of one or more D permits to one or more applicants for all or a part of either the state fairgrounds or capitol square. An application for a D permit for the state fairgrounds or capitol square is exempt from the population quota restrictions contained in this section and from the population quota restrictions contained in any rule of the liquor control commission. The location of a D permit issued for the state fairgrounds or capitol square shall not be transferred. An applicant for a D-1, D-2, D-3, or D-5 permit for the state fairgrounds is not subject to section 4303.31 of the Revised Code.

Pursuant to section 1711.09 of the Revised Code, the holder 876 of a D permit issued for the state fairgrounds shall not deal in 877 spirituous liquor at the state fairgrounds during, or for one week 878 before or for three days after, any fair held at the state 879 fairgrounds.

 $\frac{(8)(7)}{(8)}$ Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit 881 the issuance of a D permit for a premises located at a zoological 882 park at which sales have been approved in an election held under 883 former section 4301.356 of the Revised Code. An application for a 884 D permit for such a premises is exempt from the population 885 restrictions contained in this section, from the population quota 886 restrictions contained in any rule of the liquor control 887 commission, and from section 4303.31 of the Revised Code. The 888 location of a D permit issued for a premises at such a zoological 889

park shall not be transferred, and no quota or other restrictions 890 shall be placed on the number of D permits that may be issued for 891 a premises at such a zoological park. 892

(C)(1) No D-3, D-4, D-5, or D-5a permit shall be issued in 893 any election precinct in any municipal corporation or in any 894 election precinct in the unincorporated area of any township, in 895 which at the November, 1933, election a majority of the electors 896 voting thereon in the municipal corporation or in the 897 unincorporated area of the township voted against the repeal of 898 Section 9 of Article XV, Ohio Constitution, unless the sale of 899 spirituous liquor by the glass is authorized by a majority vote of 900 the electors voting on the question in the precinct at an election 901 held pursuant to this section or by a majority vote of the 902 electors of the precinct voting on question (C) at a special local 903 option election held in the precinct pursuant to section 4301.35 904 of the Revised Code. Upon the request of an elector, the board of 905 elections of the county that encompasses the precinct shall 906 furnish the elector with a copy of the instructions prepared by 907 the secretary of state under division (P) of section 3501.05 of 908 the Revised Code and, within fifteen days after the request, a 909 certificate of the number of signatures required for a valid 910 petition under this section. 911

Upon the petition of thirty-five per cent of the total number 912 of voters voting in any such precinct for the office of governor 913 at the preceding general election, filed with the board of 914 elections of the county in which such precinct is located not 915 later than seventy-five days before a general election, the board 916 917 shall prepare ballots and hold an election at such general election upon the question of allowing spirituous liquor to be 918 sold by the glass in such precinct. The ballots shall be approved 919 in form by the secretary of state. The results of the election 920 shall be certified by the board to the secretary of state, who 921

(c) Has misrepresented a material fact in applying to the

division for a permit; or

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(d) Is in the habit of using alcoholic beverages or dangerous	952
drugs to excess, or is addicted to the use of narcotics.	953
(2) That the place for which the permit is sought:	954
(a) Does not conform to the building, safety, or health	955
requirements of the governing body of the county or municipal	956
corporation in which the place is located. As used in division	957
(A)(2)(a) of this section, "building, safety, or health	958
requirements" does not include local zoning ordinances. The	959
validity of local zoning regulations shall not be affected by this	960
section.	961
(b) Is so constructed or arranged that law enforcement	962
officers and duly authorized agents of the division are prevented	963
from reasonable access to rooms within which beer or intoxicating	964
liquor is to be sold or consumed;	965
(c) Is so located with respect to the neighborhood that	966
substantial interference with public decency, sobriety, peace, or	967
good order would result from the issuance, renewal, transfer of	968
location, or transfer of ownership of the permit and operation	969
under it by the applicant; or	970
(d) Has been declared a nuisance pursuant to Chapter 3767. of	971
the Revised Code since the time of the most recent issuance,	972
renewal, or transfer of ownership or location of the liquor	973
permit.	974
(B) The division of liquor control may refuse to issue or	975
transfer the ownership of, and shall refuse to transfer the	976
location of, any retail permit issued under this chapter if it	977
finds either of the following:	978
(1) That the place for which the permit is sought is so	979
situated with respect to any school, church, library, public	980
playground, or hospital that the operation of the liquor	981

establishment will substantially and adversely affect or interfere	982
with the normal, orderly conduct of the affairs of those	983
facilities or institutions;	984

- (2) That the number of permits already existent in the 985 neighborhood is such that the issuance or transfer of location of 986 a permit would be detrimental to and substantially interfere with 987 the morals, safety, or welfare of the public. In reaching a 988 conclusion in this respect, the division shall consider, in light 989 of the purposes of this chapter and Chapters 4301. and 4399. of 990 the Revised Code, the character and population of the 991 neighborhood, the number and location of similar permits in the 992 neighborhood, the number and location of all other permits in the 993 neighborhood, and the effect the issuance or transfer of location 994 of a permit would have on the neighborhood. 995
- (C) The division of liquor control shall not transfer the 996 location or transfer the ownership and location of a permit under 997 division (B)(3)(2)(b) of section 4303.29 of the Revised Code 998 unless the permit is transferred to an economic development 999 project.
- (D) The division of liquor control shall refuse to issue, 1001 renew, transfer the ownership of, or transfer the location of a 1002 retail permit under this chapter if the applicant is or has been 1003 convicted of a violation of division (C)(1) of section 2913.46 of 1004 the Revised Code.
- (E) The division of liquor control shall refuse to transfer 1006 the ownership of or transfer the location of a retail permit under 1007 this chapter while criminal proceedings are pending against the 1008 holder of the permit for a violation of division (C)(1) of section 1009 2913.46 of the Revised Code. The department of public safety shall 1010 notify the division whenever criminal proceedings have commenced 1011 for a violation of division (C)(1) of section 2913.46 of the 1012

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(F) The division of liquor control shall refuse to issue,	1014
renew, or transfer the ownership or location of a retail permit	1015
under this chapter if the applicant has been found to be	1016
maintaining a nuisance under section 3767.05 of the Revised Code	1017
at the premises for which the issuance, renewal, or transfer of	1018
ownership or location of the retail permit is sought.	1019
Section 2. That existing sections 4301.17, 4301.62, 4301.99,	1020
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