

HB 2282 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Labor and Business

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

The measure creates a retail liquor sales permit for specified individuals. It removes agents appointed by the commission and retail outlets from randomized minor decoy operations. It requires that licensees and agents are subject to no more than one minor decoy operation per calendar year. Operative January 1, 2027. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

Detailed Summary:

Requires the following individuals to have a valid retail liquor sales permit issued by Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission (OLCC) in order to sell alcohol to consumers:

- those who perform work that includes selling alcohol to consumers for or on behalf of a distillery licensee
- those who work for or on behalf of an agent selling alcohol to consumers
- OLCC agent
- those who personally hold a distillery license

Clarifies that someone who holds a distillery license or performs work for or on behalf of a distillery licensee and who holds a service permit is not required to also hold a retail liquor sales permit.

Directs OLCC to establish rules for the process of issuing and renewing a retail liquor sales permit.

Outlines requirement for OLCC rules. Requires permittee to make the permit available at any time they are on duty for inspection by a regulatory specialist or peace officer.

Updates references to include the retail liquor sales permit in laws around alcoholic beverages.

Provides that a distillery licensee or retail outlet agent appointed by OLCC be subject to no more than one minor decoy operation per calendar year. Makes conforming amendments.

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REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Has minimal fiscal impact

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Provisions of the measure

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission (OLCC) is required to establish uniform standards for minor decoy operations. Under current statute, they investigate sales by licensees occurring on licensed premises and in-store sales by agents. They must be conducted to cover a range of licensed premises and retail outlets. House Bill 2282 A creates a retail liquor sales permit for specified individuals and provides that a distillery licensee or retail outlet agent appointed by OLCC be subject to no more than one minor decoy operation per calendar year.