



MEMORANDUM

TO: Bob Klein, Chair, and Members of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board DATE: February 19, 2019

FROM: Erika McConnell, Director RE: Shared Tasting Rooms

Requested Action: Discuss shared tasting rooms, with particular attention to drink limits

Statutory Authority: AS 04.06.090(a): “The board shall control the manufacture, barter, possession, and sale of alcoholic beverages in the state. The board is vested with the powers, duties, and responsibilities necessary for the control of alcoholic beverages,…”

At the October 2017, meeting in Kenai, the board considered two different situations where multiple manufacturing licenses held by the same licensee were proposed to share licensed premises. One licensee was collocating a brewery, distillery, and winery license at the same premises, and another licensee was collocating a brewery and winery license at the same premises.

While the board had no issues with collocating the manufacturing processes, you did initiate a discussion on the combined sampling allowances in a shared tasting room. You requested this issue be placed on this agenda for further discussion.

Current statutes and regulations state the following:

AS 04.11.130 Brewery license

(c) The holder of a brewery license may permit a person to sample small portions of the brewery’s product free of charge unless prohibited by AS 04.16.030.

(e) Unless prohibited by AS 04.16.030, a holder of a brewery license may sell not more than **36 ounces a day** of the brewery’s product to a person for consumption on the premises if ...[certain limitations]

AS 04.11.140 Winery license

(c) The holder of a winery license may permit a person to sample small portions of the wine free of charge unless prohibited by AS 04.16.030.

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Unless prohibited under AS 04.16.030, a holder of a winery license may sell each day to a person for consumption on the licensed premises not more than **18 ounces** of the winery’s wine, mead, or

cider or any of the winery's cider that contains less than 8.5 percent alcohol by volume, if the winery does not...[certain limitations]

AS 04.11.170 Distillery license

(d) The holder of a distillery license may permit a person to sample small portions of the distillery's product free of charge unless prohibited by AS 04.16.030.

(e) Unless prohibited by AS 04.16.030, a holder of a distillery license may sell not more than **three ounces a day** of the distillery's product to a person for consumption on the premises if...[certain limitation]