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MEMORANDUM

TO: Alcoholic Beverage Control Board DATE: June 14, 2021

FROM: Carrie Craig, Records and Licensing
Supervisor

RE: Waiver of Operation

Background

At the July 16, 2020 special meeting, the Board discussed the following points and unanimously voted to adopt the proposal:

- Consider to move that all licensees affected by Covid-19 in the year 2020, in relation to minimum operating requirements under 3 AAC 304.170, complete and submit a waiver application for the year 2020 to AMCO.
- 3 AAC 304.170(i) provides that the board will, in its discretion, waive waiver fees including late waiver fees. Consider to move to determine that Covid-19 is an extraordinary hardship for licensees for the year 2020, therefore, waive the waiver fees under 3 AAC 304.170(c) & (h) for the year 2020.
- Consider to move that any waiver application received for the year 2020 not be counted against the licensee for the purposes of 3 AAC 304.170(e) which talks about denials of third and fourth waivers.
- Licensees would be notified via an Advisory posted on our website and emailed to them at the email address of record..

At the March 30, 2021 meeting, Director Klinkhart spoke of the financial consequences of waiving these fees. At that time, the total of missed revenue was \$86,425 for 154 waiver applications.

Since the March meeting, we have received an additional 40 waiver applications for a total of 190 for 2020. After some updated calculations, the grand total of missed revenue is \$110,450.

As the Director stated in his March report, the fees represented here are half the license fee as if this waiver was the licensee's first waiver so it is absolutely the bare minimum of what we would have collected during a "regular" year.

For Discussion

There have been requests from licensees that the ABC Board consider adopting the same proposal for the 2021 calendar year.