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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 359, L.D. 1042, Bill, “An Act To Increase the Opportunities for Taste-testing Events for On-premises Liquor Licensees”

Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 8 by striking out all of paragraph I (page 1, line 30 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

I. The retail licensee may conduct no more than one taste-testing event per month.'

Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 8 by striking out all of paragraphs L, M, N and O (page 1, lines 35 to 37 and page 2, lines 1 to 18 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

L. Liquor served at a taste-testing event may be provided by the retail licensee purchasing the liquor from a wholesale licensee or agency liquor store. A record of a transaction under this paragraph must be maintained and made available to the bureau.

M. The retail licensee shall establish a designated area in which to conduct a taste-testing event in accordance with this section and shall make reasonable attempts to ensure that tastings are confined to the designated area.

N. The retail licensee, with prior approval from the bureau, may conduct an invitation-only taste-testing event at the licensed premises in place of or to coincide with a taste-testing event that is open to the public.

O. After a taste-testing event is concluded, the retail licensee may return any unused portion of liquor used to conduct the taste-testing event to the licensee's existing stock.'

Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 8 by inserting at the end a new blocked paragraph to read:

The bureau may adopt rules to implement this subsection. Rules adopted pursuant to this subsection are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.'

Amend the bill by inserting after section 1 the following:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

