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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 532

As Amended by Senate Committee on
Federal and State Affairs

Brief*

SB 532 would amend the Kansas Liquor Act by allowing the spouse of an applicant for a retail liquor license to hold a farm winery license and a microbrewery license if the spouse of the license holder does not hold a retail liquor license under the Act. The bill also would allow a farm winery license to also hold a microbrewery license and vice versa.

Under current law, a liquor retailer is not allowed to have a beneficial interest in a manufacturer, distributor, farm winery, or microbrewery licensed under the Act. A beneficial interest, under current law, is defined to include a licensee's spouse, thereby precluding the spouse from having an interest in the above mentioned licenses.

Background

A representative of Lukas Liquor Super Stores and the Kansas Viticulture and Farm Winery Association testified as proponents of the bill. No opponents testified. A representative of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control testified as neutral.

The Senate Committee amended the bill to allow a spouse to hold a microbrewery license, allow a farm winery license to also hold a microbrewery license and vice versa, and the Committee made a technical amendments.

*Supplemental notes are prepared by the Legislative Research Department and do not express legislative intent. The supplemental note and fiscal note for this bill may be accessed on the Internet at <http://www.kslegislature.org>

According to the Division of Budget, enactment of the original bill would have no fiscal effect.