

SENATE No. 159

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Michael W. Morrissey

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to alcoholic beverage distributors in the Commonwealth.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Morrissey, Michael (SEN)

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Norfolk and Plymouth

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATIVE TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE DISTRIBUTERS IN THE COMMONWEALTH.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 **SECTION 1.** Section 18 of Chapter 138 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby
2 amended by striking out in the first paragraph, in line 11 the words “and sections 15, 18A, 19, 19B and
3 19C” and in the sixth paragraph, line 3 the words “except as provided in this section and section 19F”

4 **SECTION 2.** Section 19 of Chapter 138 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby
5 amended by striking out in the first paragraph, in line 10 the words, “except as provided in this section
6 and section 19F” and by striking out in lines 13 and 14 “licensing authorities for the sale within the
7 commonwealth in accordance with the provisions of this chapter” and adding the words “Commission
8 under section 18” before the word “and” and by striking out in lines 16, 17 and 18 the words, “and by and
9 manufacturers of such beverages may sell the same to any registered pharmacist holding a certificate of
10 fitness under section thirty and also as authorized by section twenty-eight” and by striking out in
11 Paragraph 2, in lines 8-14 the words, “and provided, further, that sale of wines and malt beverages may be
12 made in kegs, casks or barrels by any manufacturer licensed under this section to licensees authorized to
13 sell such beverages under section twelve, thirteen or fourteen and, for the sole purpose of resale in the
14 containers in which the same were delivered, to licensees under section fifteen. No licensee under section

15 fifteen shall resell beverages delivered to him in kegs, casks or barrels under this section, except in such
16 containers”

17 **SECTION 3.** Section 19B of Chapter 138 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby
18 amended by striking out in sub-section (a) in line 11, the words, “and sections 15, 18, 18A, 19 and 19C”
19 and in paragraph (a) (5) in line 2, the words, “more than one” and adding the word “a” before the word
20 “business”

21 **SECTION 4.** Section 19C of Chapter 138 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby
22 amended by striking out in sub-section (a) in line 11, the words, “and sections 15, 18, 18A, 19 and 19C”
23 and in paragraph (a) (5) in line 2, the words, “more than one” and adding the word “a” before the word
24 “business”, and striking out sub-sections (g) (1) (3) (4)(5) and (6) in their entirety.

25 **SECTION 5.** Section 19E of Chapter 138 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby
26 amended by striking out in paragraph (a) (5) in line 2, the words, “more than one” and adding the word
27 “a” before the word “business”, and striking out sub-sections (g) (1) (3) (4)(5) and (6) in their entirety.

28 **SECTION 6.** Section 23 of Chapter 138 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby
29 amended by striking out in the third paragraph in line 3 the words “nineteen or” and “nineteen C or” and
30 striking out in lines 8 and 9 the words, “nineteen” and “or nineteen C”