

HOUSE No. 4698

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, May 30, 2024.

The committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred the Bill relative to the direct wine shipper license (House, No. 4130), reports recommending that the same ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefor the accompanying bill (House, No. 4698).

For the committee,

AARON MICHLEWITZ.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)**

An Act relative to the direct wine shipper license.

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 19F of chapter 138 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022 Official
2 Edition, is hereby amended by striking out subsections (a) and (b) and inserting in place thereof
3 the following 2 subsections:-

4 (a) For the purposes of this section, the term “brand name” shall include any wine
5 exclusively produced by or for the licensee and marketed under a different label owned by or
6 registered to the licensee.

7 (b)(1) The commission may issue a direct wine shipper license pursuant to this section to
8 any person, firm or corporation that holds a federal basic permit pursuant to the federal Alcohol
9 Administration Act, compiled in 27 U.S.C. § 201 et seq. and that holds a license in the
10 commonwealth or any other state to manufacture and export wine.

11 (2) Under this section, a direct wine shipper licensee may make sales and delivery of
12 wine directly to residents of the commonwealth who are 21 years of age or older, for personal
13 use and not for resale; provided, however, that a direct wine shipper licensee shall not sell at

- 14 retail to residents of the commonwealth any wine or wine product not produced for or by the
- 15 winery and sold under the winery's brand name.