

SENATE No. 2886

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

—
**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)**
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SENATE, July 22, 2024.

The committee on Senate Ways and Means to whom was referred the House Bill relative to the direct wine shipper license (House, No. 4698); reports, recommending that the same ought to pass with an amendment striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text of Senate document numbered 2886.

For the committee,
Michael J. Rodrigues

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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 winery and marketed under a different label owned by or
6 registered to the winery.

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: (i) federal basic permit pursuant to the Alcohol
9 Administration Act, 27 U.S.C. § 201, et seq.; and (ii) license in the commonwealth or any other
10 state to manufacture and export wine.

11 (2) Under this section, a winery licensed as a direct wine shipper may sell and deliver
12 wine directly to residents of the commonwealth who are not less than 21 years of age for
13 personal use and not for resale; provided, however, that a winery licensed as a direct wine
14 shipper shall not sell at retail or deliver to residents of the commonwealth any wine or wine
15 product not produced for or by the winery and sold under the winery’s brand name.