SYNOPSIS
Permits certain breweries to sell beer at seasonal farm markets.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT
As reported by the Senate Economic Growth Committee on December 12, 2016, with amendments.
AN ACT concerning alcoholic beverages and supplementing Title 33 of the Revised Statutes.

BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

1. a. As used in this section:

“Community farm market” means two or more producers or farmers who assemble at a location seasonally for the wholesale or retail marketing and sale of the agricultural output of a farm, and products that contribute to farm income, excluding roadside farm stands.

“Growler” means a re-sealable container that holds 32, 64, or 128 ounces of beer.

“Roadside farm stand” means a location owned by a single farmer or producer at which the farmer or producer sells agricultural products from the farmer’s or producer’s farm directly to consumers.

b. The director may, subject to rules and regulations, issue to the holder of a limited brewery license or restricted brewery license a permit to sell beer produced by the brewery at a community seasonal farm market for consumption off the premises of the community seasonal farm market. A person shall obtain a separate permit for each community seasonal farm market where the person intends to sell beer. The director shall not issue a permit to sell beer at a community seasonal farm market located in a municipality where the sale of alcoholic beverages has been prohibited by referendum under R.S.33:1-44 through R.S.33:1-47 if the municipality passes a municipal ordinance or resolution authorizing the sale of beer at a seasonal farm markets. The director shall not issue a permit if a municipal board of alcoholic beverage control or the governing body of the municipality prohibits the sale of beer at seasonal farm markets. The director shall not issue a permit pursuant to this section for use in connection with a roadside farm stand.

c. Subject to rules and regulations, a person issued a permit pursuant to this section may:

(1) transport beer for the purpose of selling it at a community seasonal farm market; and

(2) offer up to four three-ounce samples of beer at a community to a person of legal age to purchase or consume alcoholic beverages during each day the seasonal farm market is operating; and

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.
Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

Senate SEG committee amendments adopted December 12, 2016.
(3) sell beer only in a growler that is filled and sealed at the point of sale or previously filled at the permit holder’s licensed premises.

d. A permit issued pursuant to this section may be a daily permit or an annual permit. An annual permit issued pursuant to this section shall be valid for one year from the date of issuance. The director may renew a permit provided the permit holder continues to hold a limited brewery license or restricted brewery license.

e. The director may establish a fee not to exceed $25 for a daily permit and $75 for the issuance and renewal of an annual permit under this section.

2. This act shall take effect on the first day of the fourth month next following enactment.