

ASSEMBLY, No. 5310

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SYNOPSIS

Removes limit on number of social affairs permits that can be issued for one premises under certain circumstances.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



1 AN ACT concerning alcoholic beverages and amending R.S.33:1-74.

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

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6 1. R.S.33:1-74 is amended to read as follows:

7 33:1-74. a. To provide for contingencies where it would be
8 appropriate and consonant with the spirit of this chapter to issue a
9 license but the contingency has not been expressly provided for, the
10 director of the division may for special cause shown, subject to
11 rules and regulations, issue temporary permits. The fee for a one-
12 day permit authorizing the sale of alcoholic beverages for
13 consumption on a designated premises by a civic, religious,
14 educational or veterans organization shall be \$100 and for a one-
15 day permit authorizing such sale by any other organization, \$150.
16 The fee for any other type of temporary permit shall be determined
17 in each case by the director of the division and shall not be less than
18 \$10 nor more than \$2,000, payable to the director of the division
19 and to be accounted for by the director as are license fees.

20 b. As to any designated premises such temporary permits shall
21 not exceed in the aggregate 25 in any one calendar year, but the
22 director of the division may by said rules and regulations provide
23 for a lesser number in the aggregate for any such designated
24 premises in any one calendar year. This limit shall not apply when
25 the designated premises is owned by a municipality or the event is
26 sponsored by a municipality.

27 c. The issuance of temporary permits to authorize the sale of
28 alcoholic beverages by the glass or other open receptacle by civic,
29 religious, educational, veterans or other qualified organizations
30 shall be permissible, notwithstanding that the sale of alcoholic
31 beverages has otherwise been prohibited by referendum under
32 R.S.33:1-44 through R.S.33:1-47 or municipal ordinance or
33 resolution.

34 (cf: P.L.2003, c.117, s.28)

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36 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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41 This bill removes the limit on the number of social affairs
42 permits that can be issued for one premises under certain
43 circumstances.

44 A social affairs permit allows an organization operating solely
45 for civic, religious, educational, charitable, fraternal, social, or

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.

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1 recreational purposes, and not for private gain, to apply for a special
2 permit to serve alcoholic beverages at a fund-raising event.

3 Under current law, no more than 25 social affairs permits can be
4 issued for any one premises or location in a calendar year. This bill
5 provides that this limit does not apply when the designated premises
6 is owned by a municipality or the event is sponsored by a
7 municipality.