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### 2025 Legislative Changes – Liquor Industry

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RE: Liquor Industry

The following changes were approved under Assembly Bill (AB) 375 and AB 404 during the 2025 legislative session and become effective October 1, 2025:

**AB 375** makes various changes to existing statute. Those changes are the following:

- NRS 369 authorizes the county commissioner of a county and the governing body of an incorporated city to enact an ordinance allowing for the sale/delivery of sealed alcoholic beverages for consumption off the premises of a covered food establishment.
- NRS 369 authorizes the Department to develop a regulation (Nevada Administrative Code "NAC") for adoption which will determine the imposition and collection of a surcharge, the amount will not exceed \$0.50 per each retail sale of sealed alcoholic beverages where an ordinance is in place. ***Please note: surcharge imposition and collection is on hold until ordinances are in place and a regulation is adopted. The Department is currently undergoing the regulation process with the first workshop being held on October 7, 2025.***
- NRS 369.440 Includes crafter distillers with certain contractual rights to the list of recognized Permissible Persons.
- NRS 597.235 Allows the craft distillers who are recognized as Permissible Persons to manufacture an exclusive distilled spirit using neutral or distilled spirits manufactured by another manufacturer.
- NRS 235 Designated Picon Punch as the official state drink of Nevada.

**AB 404** makes various changes to existing statute. Those changes are the following:

- NRS 369.230 was amended to empower the Department to temporarily suspend or permanently revoke a license issued under NRS 369.190.
- NRS 369.280 authorizes the Department to hold a hearing and render a decision of final order.
- NRS 597.230 Authorizes a brew pub to sell directly to two retail liquor stores under common control and defines the reporting requirement of said sales for the brew pub and each retail liquor store in compliance with NRS 369.
- NRS 369.485 was amended requiring Electronic Fund Transfer ("EFT") and/or credit cards for the payment of purchases made between a wholesaler and retailer. ***Please note: the requirement that payment from a retail liquor store must be made by EFT is on hold until a regulation is adopted. The Department is currently undergoing the regulation process with the first workshop being held on October 7, 2025.***