

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact §§ 4.1-208 and 4.1-209 of the Code of Virginia, relating to alcoholic*
 3 *beverage control; wine and beer licenses.*

4 [S 844]

5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**7 **1. That §§ 4.1-208 and 4.1-209 of the Code of Virginia are amended and reenacted as follows:**

8 § 4.1-208. Beer licenses.

9 The Board may grant the following licenses relating to beer:

10 1. Brewery licenses, which shall authorize the licensee to manufacture beer and to sell and deliver or
 11 ship the beer so manufactured, in accordance with Board regulations, in closed containers to (i) persons
 12 licensed to sell the beer at wholesale, (ii) persons licensed to sell beer at retail for the purpose of resale,
 13 only as provided in subdivision B 4 of § 4.1-216, (iii) owners of boats registered under the laws of the
 14 United States sailing for ports of call of a foreign country or another state and (iv) persons outside the
 15 Commonwealth for resale outside the Commonwealth.

16 2. Bottlers' licenses, which shall authorize the licensee to acquire and receive deliveries and
 17 shipments of beer in closed containers and to bottle, sell and deliver or ship it, in accordance with
 18 Board regulations to (i) wholesale beer licensees for the purpose of resale, (ii) owners of boats registered
 19 under the laws of the United States sailing for ports of call of a foreign country or another state and (iii)
 20 persons outside the Commonwealth for resale outside the Commonwealth.

21 3. Wholesale beer licenses, which shall authorize the licensee to acquire and receive deliveries and
 22 shipments of beer and to sell and deliver or ship it, in accordance with Board regulations, in closed
 23 containers to (i) persons licensed under this chapter to sell such beer at wholesale or retail for the
 24 purpose of resale, (ii) owners of boats registered under the laws of the United States sailing for ports of
 25 call of a foreign country or another state and (iii) persons outside the Commonwealth for resale outside
 26 the Commonwealth.

27 No wholesale beer licensee shall purchase beer for resale from a person outside the Commonwealth
 28 who does not hold a beer importer's license unless such wholesale beer licensee holds a beer importer's
 29 license and purchases beer for resale pursuant to the privileges of such beer importer's license.

30 4. Beer importers' licenses, which shall authorize persons licensed within or outside the
 31 Commonwealth to sell and deliver or ship beer into the Commonwealth, in accordance with Board
 32 regulations, in closed containers, to persons in the Commonwealth licensed to sell beer at wholesale for
 33 the purpose of resale.

34 5. Retail on-premises beer licenses to:

35 a. Hotels, restaurants and clubs, which shall authorize the licensee to sell beer, either with or without
 36 meals, only in dining areas and other designated areas of such restaurants, or in dining areas, private
 37 guest rooms, and other designated areas of such hotels or clubs, for consumption only in such rooms
 38 and areas.

39 b. Persons operating dining cars, buffet cars, and club cars of trains, which shall authorize the
 40 licensee to sell beer, either with or without meals, in the dining cars, buffet cars, and club cars so
 41 operated by them for on-premises consumption when carrying passengers.

42 c. Persons operating boats for which certificates as a sight-seeing carrier by boat, or a special or
 43 charter party by boat have been issued by the State Corporation Commission pursuant to § 56-457.8,
 44 which shall authorize the licensee to sell beer, either with or without meals, on such boats operated by
 45 them for on-premises consumption when carrying passengers.

46 d. Grocery stores located in any town or in a rural area outside the corporate limits of any city or
 47 town, which shall authorize the licensee to sell beer for on-premises consumption in such establishments.
 48 No license shall be granted unless it appears affirmatively that a substantial public demand for such
 49 licensed establishment exists and that public convenience and the purposes of this title will be promoted
 50 by granting the license.

51 e. Persons operating food concessions at coliseums, stadia, or similar facilities, which shall authorize
 52 the licensee to sell beer, in paper, plastic, or similar disposable containers, during the performance of
 53 professional sporting exhibitions, events or performances immediately subsequent thereto, to patrons
 54 within all seating areas, concourses, walkways, concession areas, and additional locations designated by
 55 the Board in such coliseums, stadia, or similar facilities, for on-premises consumption. Upon
 56 authorization of the licensee, any person may keep and consume his own lawfully acquired alcoholic

57 beverages on the premises in all areas and locations covered by the license.

58 f. Persons operating food concessions at any outdoor performing arts amphitheater, arena or similar
59 facility which has seating for more than 20,000 persons and is located in any county with a population
60 between 210,000 and 216,000 *or in any city with a population between 392,000 and 394,000*. Such
61 license shall authorize the licensee to sell beer during the performance of any event, in paper, plastic or
62 similar disposable containers to patrons within all seating areas, concourses, walkways, concession areas,
63 or similar facilities, for on-premises consumption. Upon authorization of the licensee, any person may
64 keep and consume his own lawfully acquired alcoholic beverages on the premises in all areas and
65 locations covered by the license.

66 6. Retail off-premises beer licenses, which shall authorize the licensee to sell beer in closed
67 containers for off-premises consumption and to deliver or ship the beer to purchasers in accordance with
68 Board regulations.

69 7. Retail on-and-off premises beer licenses to persons enumerated in subdivisions 5 a and d, which
70 shall accord all the privileges conferred by retail on-premises beer licenses and in addition, shall
71 authorize the licensee to sell beer in closed containers for off-premises consumption and to deliver or
72 ship the beer to purchasers in accordance with Board regulations.

73 § 4.1-209. Wine and beer licenses.

74 The Board may grant the following licenses relating to wine and beer:

75 1. Retail on-premises wine and beer licenses to:

76 a. Hotels, restaurants and clubs, which shall authorize the licensee to sell wine and beer, either with
77 or without meals, only in dining areas and other designated areas of such restaurants, or in dining areas,
78 private guest rooms, and other designated areas of such hotels or clubs, for consumption only in such
79 rooms and areas. However, with regard to a hotel classified by the Board as a resort complex, the Board
80 may authorize the sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages in all areas within the resort complex
81 deemed appropriate by the Board;

82 b. Persons operating dining cars, buffet cars, and club cars of trains, which shall authorize the
83 licensee to sell wine and beer, either with or without meals, in the dining cars, buffet cars, and club cars
84 so operated by them, for on-premises consumption when carrying passengers;

85 c. Persons operating boats for which certificates as a sight-seeing carrier by boat, or a special or
86 charter party by boat have been issued by the State Corporation Commission pursuant to § 56-457.8,
87 which shall authorize the licensee to sell wine and beer, either with or without meals, on such boats
88 operated by them for on-premises consumption when carrying passengers;

89 d. Persons operating as air carriers of passengers on regular schedules in foreign, interstate or
90 intrastate commerce, which shall authorize the licensee to sell wine and beer for consumption by
91 passengers in such airplanes anywhere in or over the Commonwealth while in transit and in designated
92 rooms of establishments of such carriers at airports in the Commonwealth, § 4.1-129 notwithstanding;

93 e. Hospitals, which shall authorize the licensee to sell wine and beer in the rooms of patients for
94 their on-premises consumption only in such rooms, provided the consent of the patient's attending
95 physician is first obtained;

96 f. Persons operating food concessions at coliseums, stadia, or similar facilities, which shall authorize
97 the licensee to sell wine and beer in paper, plastic or similar disposable containers, during the
98 performance of professional sporting exhibitions, events or performances immediately subsequent thereto,
99 to patrons within all seating areas, concourses, walkways, concession areas and additional locations
100 designated by the Board in such coliseums, stadia or similar facilities, for on-premises consumption.
101 Upon authorization of the licensee, any person may keep and consume his own lawfully acquired
102 alcoholic beverages on the premises in all areas and locations covered by the license; and

103 g. Persons operating food concessions at any outdoor performing arts amphitheater, arena or similar
104 facility which has seating for more than 20,000 persons and is located in any county with a population
105 between 210,000 and 216,000 *or in any city with a population between 392,000 and 394,000*. Such
106 license shall authorize the licensee to sell wine and beer during the performance of any event, in paper,
107 plastic or similar disposable containers to patrons within all seating areas, concourses, walkways,
108 concession areas, or similar facilities, for on-premises consumption. Upon authorization of the licensee,
109 any person may keep and consume his own lawfully acquired alcoholic beverages on the premises in all
110 areas and locations covered by the license.

111 2. Retail off-premises wine and beer licenses, which shall authorize the licensee to sell wine and beer
112 in closed containers for off-premises consumption and to deliver or ship the same to purchasers in
113 accordance with Board regulations.

114 3. Gourmet shop licenses, which shall authorize the licensee to sell wine and beer in closed
115 containers for off-premises consumption and, the provisions of § 4.1-308 notwithstanding, to give to any
116 person to whom wine or beer may be lawfully sold, (i) a sample of wine, not to exceed one ounce by
117 volume or (ii) a sample of beer not to exceed two ounces by volume, for on-premises consumption.

118 4. Convenience grocery store licenses, which shall authorize the licensee to sell wine and beer in
119 closed containers for off-premises consumption.

120 5. Retail on-and-off premises wine and beer licenses to persons enumerated in subdivision 1 a, which
121 shall accord all the privileges conferred by retail on-premises wine and beer licenses and in addition,
122 shall authorize the licensee to sell wine and beer in closed containers for off-premises consumption and
123 to deliver or ship the same to the purchasers, in accordance with Board regulations.

124 6. Banquet licenses to persons in charge of banquets, and to duly organized nonprofit corporations or
125 associations in charge of special events, which shall authorize the licensee to sell or give wine and beer
126 in rooms or areas approved by the Board for the occasion for on-premises consumption in such rooms
127 or areas. A separate license shall be required for each day of each banquet or special event. However,
128 no such license shall be required of any hotel, restaurant, or club holding a retail wine and beer license.

129 7. Gift shop licenses, which shall authorize the licensee to sell wine and beer unchilled, only within
130 the interior premises of the gift shop in closed containers for off-premises consumption and to deliver or
131 ship the wine and beer to purchasers in accordance with Board regulations.