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## SENATE BILL NO. 659

Offered January 26, 1998

*A BILL to amend and reenact § 4.1-204 of the Code of Virginia, relating to alcoholic beverage control; annual reports by mixed beverage licensees.*

Patrons—Marsh, Lambert, Lucas and Maxwell; Delegates: Crittenden, Jones, J.C. and Spruill

Referred to the Committee on Rehabilitation and Social Services

### **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

#### **1. That § 4.1-204 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

§ 4.1-204. Records of licensees; inspection of records and places of business.

A. Manufacturers, bottlers or wholesalers. - Every licensed manufacturer, bottler or wholesaler shall keep complete, accurate and separate records in accordance with Board regulations of all alcoholic beverages purchased, manufactured, bottled, sold or shipped by him, and the applicable tax required by § 4.1-234 or § 4.1-236, if any.

B. Retailers. - Every retail licensee shall keep complete, accurate and separate records, in accordance with Board regulations, of all purchases of alcoholic beverages, the prices charged such licensee therefor, and the names and addresses of the persons from whom purchased. Every retail licensee shall also preserve all invoices showing his purchases for a period as specified by Board regulations. He shall also keep an accurate account of daily sales, showing quantities of alcoholic beverages sold and the total price charged by him therefor. Such account need not give the names or addresses of the purchasers thereof, except as may be required by Board regulation for the sale of alcoholic beverages in kegs. In the case of persons holding retail licenses which require sales of food to determine their qualifications for such licenses, the records shall also include purchases and sales of food and nonalcoholic beverages.

C. Common carriers. - Common carriers of passengers by train, boat, or airplane shall keep records of purchases and sales of alcoholic beverages and food as required by Board regulation.

D. Inspection. - The Board and its special agents shall be allowed free access during reasonable hours to every place in the Commonwealth where alcoholic beverages are manufactured, bottled, stored, offered for sale or sold, for the purpose of examining and inspecting such place and all records, invoices and accounts therein.

E. Mixed beverage licensees. - In addition to the requirements of subsection B, every mixed beverage licensee shall file annually with the Board a report, in a form prescribed by the Board and prepared by a licensed certified public accountant, which indicates the total sales by the licensee of food and alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages for the year covered by the report.

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