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State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-FIRST SESSION

H. F. No. 1449

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Commerce

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to liquor; allowing licensed manufacturer of wine to sell hard cider at
1.3 on-sale or off-sale without Minnesota grown requirement; amending Minnesota
1.4 Statutes 2018, sections 340A.101, by adding a subdivision; 340A.301, subdivision
1.5 10.

1.6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.7 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 340A.101, is amended by adding a subdivision
1.8 to read:

1.9 Subd. 12b. Hard cider. "Hard cider" means a beverage that may contain carbonation
1.10 and flavors, produced through alcoholic fermentation of any fruit or fruit juice, consisting
1.11 of at least one-half percent but not greater than seven percent alcohol by volume and sold
1.12 or offered for sale as hard cider and not as a wine, wine product, or substitute for wine in
1.13 bottles, cases, kegs, cans, or other suitable containers of the type used for the sale of malt
1.14 liquor in this state.

1.15 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

1.16 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 340A.301, subdivision 10, is amended to read:

1.17 Subd. 10. Sales without license. (a) A licensed brewer or brew pub may without an
1.18 additional license sell malt liquor to employees or retired former employees, in amounts of
1.19 not more than 768 fluid ounces in a week for off-premise consumption only.

1.20 (b) A collector of commemorative bottles, those terms are as defined in section 297G.01,
1.21 subdivisions 4 and 5, may sell them to another collector without a license. It is also lawful
1.22 for a collector of beer cans to sell unopened cans of a brand which has not been sold

2.1 commercially for at least two years to another collector without obtaining a license. The
2.2 amount sold to any one collector in any one month shall not exceed 768 fluid ounces.

2.3 (c) A licensed manufacturer of wine containing not more than 25 percent alcohol by
2.4 volume nor less than 51 percent wine made from Minnesota-grown agricultural products
2.5 may sell at on-sale or off-sale wine made on the licensed premises without a further license.

2.6 (d) Notwithstanding paragraph (c), a licensed manufacturer of wine may sell at on-sale
2.7 or off-sale hard cider made on the licensed premises without a further license and without
2.8 a Minnesota grown agricultural product requirement.

2.9 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.