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State of Minnesota
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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H. F. No. **4410**

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

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to liquor; creating a wine sampling license that authorizes a farm winery
1.3 to provide samples and conduct tastings of wine at a farmer's market; amending
1.4 Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 340A.315, by adding a subdivision.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 340A.315, is amended by adding a subdivision
1.7 to read:

1.8 Subd. 12. **Wine sampling license.** (a) A municipality may issue a wine sampling license
1.9 to the holder of a farm winery license. A wine sampling license authorizes a farm winery
1.10 to provide free samples of wines produced by that farm winery at a farmer's market during
1.11 the hours authorized for on-sale of liquor in the jurisdiction where the farmer's market is
1.12 located. Wine may only be provided and consumed on the premises described in the license.
1.13 A municipality may issue a wine sampling license notwithstanding any local ordinance or
1.14 charter provision to the contrary. A sample may not exceed 50 milliliters, and only one
1.15 sample per variety per customer per day may be provided. The duration of a license issued
1.16 under this paragraph is one year, and the cost is \$25. A farm winery may hold more than
1.17 one wine sampling license issued under this subdivision.

1.18 (b) A wine sampling license also authorizes a farm winery to conduct a tasting of wines
1.19 produced by that farm winery at a farmer's market, during the hours authorized for on-sale
1.20 of liquor in the jurisdiction where the farmer's market is located. Wine may only be provided
1.21 and consumed on the premises described in the license. A farm winery that conducts a
1.22 tasting under this subdivision must use any fees collected from participants in the tasting
1.23 only to defray the costs of conducting the tasting. The premises on which a tasting is
1.24 conducted must be insured as required by section 340A.409, subdivision 1.

2.1 (c) Nothing in this subdivision authorizes a farm winery to sell wine at off-sale at a
2.2 premises other than the premises allowed for off-sales under this section.

2.3 (d) For purposes of this subdivision, "farmer's market" has the meaning given in section
2.4 28A.151, and "tasting" has the meaning given in section 340A.419.