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1342 Introduction and first reading
Referred to Taxes

OFFICIAL STATUS

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to taxation; liquor; reducing the excise tax on certain prepackaged cocktails;
1.3 amending Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections 297G.01, by adding a subdivision;
1.4 297G.03, subdivision 1.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 297G.01, is amended by adding a subdivision
1.7 to read:

1.8 Subd. 22. Low-alcohol volume prepackaged beverages. "Low-alcohol volume
1.9 prepackaged beverages" means a canned or bottled alcoholic beverage made from distilled
1.10 spirits and other nonalcoholic ingredients, containing not more than 14 percent alcohol by
1.11 volume.

1.12 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2023.

1.13 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 297G.03, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

1.14 Subdivision 1. **General rate; distilled spirits and wine.** The following excise tax is
1.15 imposed on all distilled spirits and wine manufactured, imported, sold, or possessed in this
1.16 state:

	Standard	Metric
1.18 (a) <u>Except as provided in paragraph (c),</u> 1.19 distilled spirits, liqueurs, cordials, and 1.20 specialties regardless of alcohol content 1.21 (excluding ethyl alcohol)	\$ 5.03 per gallon	\$ 1.33 per liter
1.22 (b) Wine containing 14 percent or less 1.23 alcohol by volume (except cider as	\$.30 per gallon	\$.08 per liter

2.1	defined in section 297G.01, subdivision			
2.2	3a)			
2.3	(c) Wine containing more than 14 percent	\$.95 per gallon	\$.25 per liter	
2.4	but not more than 21 percent alcohol by			
2.5	volume <u>and low-alcohol prepackaged</u>			
2.6	<u>beverages</u>			
2.7	(d) Wine containing more than 21 percent	\$ 1.82 per gallon	\$.48 per liter	
2.8	but not more than 24 percent alcohol by			
2.9	volume			
2.10	(e) Wine containing more than 24 percent	\$ 3.52 per gallon	\$.93 per liter	
2.11	alcohol by volume			
2.12	(f) Natural and artificial sparkling wines	\$ 1.82 per gallon	\$.48 per liter	
2.13	containing alcohol			
2.14	(g) Cider as defined in section 297G.01,	\$.15 per gallon	\$.04 per liter	
2.15	subdivision 3a			
2.16	(h) Low-alcohol dairy cocktails	\$.08 per gallon	\$.02 per liter	

2.17 In computing the tax on a package of distilled spirits or wine, a proportional tax at a like
 2.18 rate on all fractional parts of a gallon or liter must be paid, except that the tax on a fractional
 2.19 part of a gallon less than 1/16 of a gallon is the same as for 1/16 of a gallon.

2.20 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023.