

**SENATE**  
**STATE OF MINNESOTA**  
**EIGHTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE**

**S.F. No. 587**

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| 02/21/2013 | 343  | Introduction and first reading<br>Referred to Commerce |
| 02/28/2013 | 403  | Comm report: To pass and re-referred to Taxes          |

1.1 A bill for an act  
 1.2 relating to taxation; liquor; modifying the definition of a qualified brewer;  
 1.3 amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 297G.04, subdivision 2.

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

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 297G.04, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

1.6 Subd. 2. **Tax credit.** A qualified brewer producing fermented malt beverages  
 1.7 is entitled to a tax credit of \$4.60 per barrel on 25,000 barrels sold in any fiscal year  
 1.8 beginning July 1, regardless of the alcohol content of the product. Qualified brewers may  
 1.9 take the credit on the 18th day of each month, but the total credit allowed may not exceed  
 1.10 in any fiscal year the lesser of:

1.11 (1) the liability for tax; or

1.12 (2) \$115,000.

1.13 For purposes of this subdivision, a "qualified brewer" means a brewer, whether or  
 1.14 not located in this state, manufacturing less than ~~100,000~~ 250,000 barrels of fermented  
 1.15 malt beverages in the calendar year immediately preceding the calendar year for which  
 1.16 the credit under this subdivision is claimed. In determining the number of barrels, all  
 1.17 brands or labels of a brewer must be combined. All facilities for the manufacture of  
 1.18 fermented malt beverages owned or controlled by the same person, corporation, or other  
 1.19 entity must be treated as a single brewer.

1.20 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for determinations based on calendar  
 1.21 year 2012 production and thereafter.