

CHAPTER 556—S.F.No. 1822

An act relating to liquor; prohibiting certain transactions by brewers and malt liquor wholesalers; amending Minnesota Statutes 1987 Supplement, section 340A.308.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1987 Supplement, section 340A.308, is amended to read:

340A.308 PROHIBITED TRANSACTIONS.

(a) No brewer or malt liquor wholesaler may directly or indirectly, or through an affiliate or subsidiary company, or through an officer, director, stockholder, or partner:

- (1) give, or lend money, credit, or other thing of value to a retailer;
- (2) give, lend, lease, or sell furnishing or equipment to a retailer;
- (3) have an interest in a retail license; or
- (4) be bound for the repayment of a loan to a retailer.

(b) This section does not prohibit a manufacturer or wholesaler from:

(1) furnishing, lending, or renting to a retailer outside signs, of a cost of up to ~~\$100~~ \$400 excluding installation and repair costs;

(2) furnishing, lending, or renting to a retailer inside signs and other promotional material, of a cost of up to ~~\$100~~ \$300 in a year;

(3) furnishing to or maintaining for a retailer equipment for dispensing malt liquor, including tap trailers, cold plates and other dispensing equipment, of a cost of up to \$100 per tap in a year;

(4) using or renting property owned continually since November 1, 1933, for the purpose of selling intoxicating or nonintoxicating malt liquor at retail; or

(5) extending customary commercial credit to a retailer in connection with a sale of nonalcoholic beverages only, or engaging in cooperative advertising agreements with a retailer in connection with the sale of nonalcoholic beverages only.

Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Section 1 is effective the day following final enactment.

Approved April 18, 1988

New language is indicated by underline, deletions by ~~strikeout~~.