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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 107

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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; modifying provisions relating to municipal liquor stores;
1.3 amending Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 340A.601, subdivisions 5, 7.

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

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 340A.601, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

1.6 Subd. 5. **Issuance of licenses to private persons.** ~~A city owning and operating a~~
1.7 ~~municipal liquor store may issue on-sale liquor licenses to hotels, clubs, and restaurants. A~~
1.8 ~~city issuing on-sale licenses under this subdivision may continue to operate the municipal~~
1.9 ~~liquor store or may resume operation of a municipal liquor store previously discontinued.~~

1.10 ~~The number of on-sale licenses issued under this section by a city is governed by section~~
1.11 ~~340A.413.~~

1.12 ~~A city may not issue licenses under this section, other than a license issued to a club~~
1.13 ~~under section 340A.404, subdivision 1, clause (4), until authorized by the voters of the city~~
1.14 ~~voting on the question at a special election called for that purpose.~~ All other provisions of
1.15 this chapter, applying to the licensing of intoxicating liquor for on-sale or off-sale, apply
1.16 to a city with a municipal liquor store under this section. If a city denies a retail license
1.17 under this chapter to a private interest, it must be for a reason consistent with section
1.18 340A.402 or other law. The city may not deny a license on the grounds that it may provide
1.19 competition to the municipal liquor store.

2.1 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 340A.601, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

2.2 Subd. 7. **Notice of intent.** A city which has issued retail intoxicating liquor licenses may
2.3 not establish a municipal liquor store until one year after publishing a notice of its intention
2.4 in the city's legal newspaper. ~~The city must provide in the notice if the municipality will be~~
2.5 ~~engaging in the sale of intoxicating liquor to the exclusion of all private interests.~~