

CHAPTER 340A

LIQUOR

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340A.101 DEFINITIONS.

[For text of subs 1 to 27, see M.S.2002]

Subd. 27a. **Theater.** "Theater" means a building containing an auditorium in which live dramatic, musical, dance, or literary performances are regularly presented to holders of tickets for those performances.

[For text of subs 28 and 29, see M.S.2002]

History: 2003 c 126 s 1

340A.301 MANUFACTURERS AND WHOLESALERS LICENSES.

[For text of subs 1 to 5, see M.S.2002]

Subd. 6. **Fees.** The annual fees for licenses under this section are as follows:

- (a) Manufacturers (except as provided in clauses (b) and (c)) \$15,000
 Duplicates \$ 3,000
- (b) Manufacturers of wines of not more than 25 percent alcohol by volume \$ 500
- (c) Brewers other than those described in clauses (d) and (i) \$ 2,500
- (d) Brewers who also hold one or more retail on-sale licenses and who manufacture fewer than 3,500 barrels of malt liquor in a year, at any one licensed premises, using only wort produced in Minnesota, the entire production of which is solely for consumption on tap on the licensed premises or for off-sale from that licensed premises.
 A brewer licensed under this clause must obtain a separate license for each licensed premises where the brewer brews malt liquor. A brewer licensed under this clause may not be licensed as an importer under this chapter \$ 500
- (e) Wholesalers (except as provided in clauses (f), (g), and (h)) \$15,000
 Duplicates \$ 3,000
- (f) Wholesalers of wines of not more than 25 percent alcohol by volume \$ 2,000
- (g) Wholesalers of intoxicating malt liquor \$ 600

Duplicates	\$ 25
(h) Wholesalers of 3.2 percent malt liquor	\$ 10
(i) Brewers who manufacture fewer than 2,000 barrels of malt liquor in a year	\$ 150

If a business licensed under this section is destroyed, or damaged to the extent that it cannot be carried on, or if it ceases because of the death or illness of the licensee, the commissioner may refund the license fee for the balance of the license period to the licensee or to the licensee's estate.

Subd. 6a. Permits and fees. Any person engaged in the purchase, sale, or use for any purpose other than personal consumption of intoxicating alcoholic beverages or ethyl alcohol shall obtain the appropriate regulatory permit and identification card from the commissioner as provided in this subdivision. The fee for each permit, other than one issued to a state or federal agency, is \$35 and must be submitted together with the appropriate application form provided by the commissioner. Identification cards and permits must be issued for a period coinciding with that of the appropriate state or municipal license and are not transferable. In instances where there is no annual license period, cards and permits expire one year after the date of issuance. The authority to engage in the purchase, sale, or use granted by the card or permit may be revoked by the commissioner upon evidence of a violation by the holder of such a card or permit of any of the provisions of chapter 340A or any rule of the commissioner made pursuant to law.

Subd. 7. Interest in other business. (a) Except as provided in this subdivision, a holder of a license as a manufacturer, brewer, importer, or wholesaler may not have any ownership, in whole or in part, in a business holding a retail intoxicating liquor or 3.2 percent malt liquor license. The commissioner may not issue a license under this section to a manufacturer, brewer, importer, or wholesaler if a retailer of intoxicating liquor has a direct or indirect interest in the manufacturer, brewer, importer, or wholesaler. A manufacturer or wholesaler of intoxicating liquor may use or have property rented for retail intoxicating liquor sales only if the manufacturer or wholesaler has owned the property continuously since November 1, 1933. A retailer of intoxicating liquor may not use or have property rented for the manufacture or wholesaling of intoxicating liquor.

(b) A brewer licensed under subdivision 6, clause (d), may be issued an on-sale intoxicating liquor or 3.2 percent malt liquor license by a municipality for a restaurant operated in the place of manufacture. Notwithstanding section 340A.405, a brewer who holds an on-sale license issued pursuant to this paragraph may, with the approval of the commissioner, be issued a license by a municipality for off-sale of malt liquor produced and packaged on the licensed premises. Off-sale of malt liquor shall be limited to the legal hours for off-sale at exclusive liquor stores in the jurisdiction in which the brewer is located, and the malt liquor sold off-sale must be removed from the premises before the applicable off-sale closing time at exclusive liquor stores. The malt liquor shall be packaged in 64-ounce containers commonly known as "growlers." The containers shall bear a twist-type closure, cork, stopper, or plug. At the time of the sale, a paper or plastic adhesive band, strip, or sleeve shall be applied to the container and extend over the top of the twist-type closure, cork, stopper, or plug forming a seal that must be broken upon opening of the container. The adhesive band, strip, or sleeve shall bear the name and address of the brewer. The containers shall be identified as malt liquor, contain the name of the malt liquor, bear the name and address of the brewer selling the malt liquor, and shall be considered intoxicating liquor unless the alcoholic content is labeled as otherwise in accordance with the provisions of Minnesota Rules, part 7515.1100. A brewer's total retail sales at on- or off-sale under this paragraph may not exceed 3,500 barrels per year, provided that off-sales may not total more than 50 percent of the brewer's production or 500 barrels, whichever is less. A brewer licensed under subdivision 6, clause (d), may hold or have an interest in other retail on-sale licenses, but may not have an ownership interest in whole or in part, or be an officer,

director, agent, or employee of, any other manufacturer, brewer, importer, or wholesaler, or be an affiliate thereof whether the affiliation is corporate or by management, direction, or control. Notwithstanding this prohibition, a brewer licensed under subdivision 6, clause (d), may be an affiliate or subsidiary company of a brewer licensed in Minnesota or elsewhere if that brewer's only manufacture of malt liquor is:

- (i) manufacture licensed under subdivision 6, clause (d);
- (ii) manufacture in another state for consumption exclusively in a restaurant located in the place of manufacture; or
- (iii) manufacture in another state for consumption primarily in a restaurant located in or immediately adjacent to the place of manufacture if the brewer was licensed under subdivision 6, clause (d), on January 1, 1995.

(c) Except as provided in subdivision 7a, no brewer as defined in subdivision 7a or importer may have any interest, in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, in the license, business, assets, or corporate stock of a licensed malt liquor wholesaler.

[For text of subds 7a to 9, see M.S.2002]

History: 2003 c 126 s 2,3; 1Sp2003 c 2 art 4 s 23

340A.308 PROHIBITED TRANSACTIONS.

(a) Except as otherwise provided in section 340A.301, 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) No retailer may solicit any equipment, fixture, supplies, money, or other thing of value from a brewer or malt liquor wholesaler if furnishing of these items by the brewer or wholesaler is prohibited by law and the retailer knew or had reason to know that the furnishing is prohibited by law.

(c) 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 \$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 \$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 3.2 percent malt liquor at retail;
- (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; or
- (6) in the case of a wholesaler, with the prior written consent of the commissioner, selling beer on consignment to a holder of a temporary license under section 340A.403, subdivision 2, or 340A.404, subdivision 10.

History: 2003 c 126 s 4

340A.318 CREDIT EXTENSIONS RESTRICTED.

[For text of subds 1 and 2, see M.S.2002]

Subd. 3. **Posting; notice.** Verified lists or statements required by subdivision 2 shall be posted by the commissioner in offices of the department in places available for public inspection not later than the Monday following receipt. Documents posted shall

constitute notice to every distiller, manufacturer, or wholesaler of the information posted. Actual notice, however received, also constitutes notice.

[For text of subds 4 and 5, see M.S.2002]

History: 2003 c 126 s 5

340A.403 3.2 PERCENT MALT LIQUOR LICENSES.

[For text of subds 1 to 3, see M.S.2002]

Subd. 4. **Notice to commissioner.** Within ten days of the issuance of a license under this section, a municipality shall inform the commissioner, on a form the commissioner prescribes, of the licensee's name and address and trade name, the effective date and expiration date of the license, and any other information on the license the commissioner requires.

History: 1Sp2003 c 19 art 2 s 57

NOTE: Subdivision 4, as added by Laws 2003, First Special Session chapter 19, article 2, section 57, is repealed July 1, 2005, provided that the commissioner of revenue has made the report to the secretary of state of the determination described in Laws 2003, First Special Session chapter 19, article 2, section 76, paragraph (b), by that date. If no such determination has been made by that date, subdivision 4 remains in effect. Laws 2003, First Special Session chapter 19, article 2, section 79, subdivision 3.

340A.404 INTOXICATING LIQUOR; ON-SALE LICENSES.

Subdivision 1. **Cities.** (a) A city may issue an on-sale intoxicating liquor license to the following establishments located within its jurisdiction:

- (1) hotels;
 - (2) restaurants;
 - (3) bowling centers;
 - (4) clubs or congressionally chartered veterans organizations with the approval of the commissioner, provided that the organization has been in existence for at least three years and liquor sales will only be to members and bona fide guests;
 - (5) sports facilities located on land owned by the Metropolitan Sports Commission;
- and
- (6) exclusive liquor stores.

(b) A city may issue an on-sale intoxicating liquor license, an on-sale wine license, or an on-sale malt liquor license to a theater within the city, notwithstanding any law, local ordinance, or charter provision. A license issued under this paragraph authorizes sales on all days of the week to persons attending events at the theater.

Subd. 2. **Special provision; city of Minneapolis.** (a) The city of Minneapolis may issue an on-sale intoxicating liquor license to the Guthrie Theater, the Cricket Theatre, the Orpheum Theatre, the State Theatre, and the Historic Pantages Theatre, notwithstanding the limitations of law, or local ordinance, or charter provision relating to zoning or school or church distances. The licenses authorize sales on all days of the week to holders of tickets for performances presented by the theaters and to members of the nonprofit corporations holding the licenses and to their guests.

(b) The city of Minneapolis may issue an intoxicating liquor license to 510 Groveland Associates, a Minnesota cooperative, for use by a restaurant on the premises owned by 510 Groveland Associates, notwithstanding limitations of law, or local ordinance, or charter provision.

(c) The city of Minneapolis may issue an on-sale intoxicating liquor license to Zuhrah Shrine Temple for use on the premises owned by Zuhrah Shrine Temple at 2540 Park Avenue South in Minneapolis, and to the American Swedish Institute for use on the premises owned by the American Swedish Institute at 2600 Park Avenue South, notwithstanding limitations of law, or local ordinances, or charter provision relating to zoning or school or church distances.

(d) The city of Minneapolis may issue an on-sale intoxicating liquor license to the American Association of University Women, Minneapolis branch, for use on the

premises owned by the American Association of University Women, Minneapolis branch, at 2115 Stevens Avenue South in Minneapolis, notwithstanding limitations of law, or local ordinances, or charter provisions relating to zoning or school or church distances.

(e) The city of Minneapolis may issue an on-sale wine license and an on-sale 3.2 percent malt liquor license to a restaurant located at 5000 Penn Avenue South, and an on-sale wine license and an on-sale malt liquor license to a restaurant located at 1931 Nicollet Avenue South, notwithstanding any law or local ordinance or charter provision.

(f) The city of Minneapolis may issue an on-sale wine license and an on-sale malt liquor license to the Brave New Workshop Theatre located at 3001 Hennepin Avenue South, the Theatre de la Jeune Lune, the Illusion Theatre located at 528 Hennepin Avenue South, the Hollywood Theatre located at 2815 Johnson Street Northeast, the Loring Playhouse located at 1633 Hennepin Avenue South, the Jungle Theater located at 2951 Lyndale Avenue South, Brave New Institute located at 2605 Hennepin Avenue South, the Guthrie Lab located at 700 North First Street, and the Southern Theatre located at 1420 Washington Avenue South, notwithstanding any law or local ordinance or charter provision. The license authorizes sales on all days of the week.

(g) The city of Minneapolis may issue an on-sale intoxicating liquor license to University Gateway Corporation, a Minnesota nonprofit corporation, for use by a restaurant or catering operator at the building owned and operated by the University Gateway Corporation on the University of Minnesota campus, notwithstanding limitations of law, or local ordinance or charter provision. The license authorizes sales on all days of the week.

[For text of subds 2a to 13, see M.S.2002]

History: 2003 c 126 s 6,7

340A.409 LIABILITY INSURANCE.

Subdivision 1. **Insurance required.** No retail license may be issued, maintained or renewed unless the applicant demonstrates proof of financial responsibility with regard to liability imposed by section 340A.801. The issuing authority must submit to the commissioner the applicant's proof of financial responsibility. This subdivision does not prohibit a local unit of government from requiring higher insurance or bond coverages, or a larger deposit of cash or securities. The minimum requirement for proof of financial responsibility may be given by filing:

(1) a certificate that there is in effect for the license period an insurance policy issued by an insurer required to be licensed under section 60A.07, subdivision 4, or by an insurer recognized as an eligible surplus lines carrier pursuant to section 60A.206 or pool providing at least \$50,000 of coverage because of bodily injury to any one person in any one occurrence, \$100,000 because of bodily injury to two or more persons in any one occurrence, \$10,000 because of injury to or destruction of property of others in any one occurrence, \$50,000 for loss of means of support of any one person in any one occurrence, and \$100,000 for loss of means of support of two or more persons in any one occurrence;

(2) a bond of a surety company with minimum coverages as provided in clause (1);
or

(3) a certificate of the commissioner of finance that the licensee has deposited with the commissioner of finance \$100,000 in cash or securities which may legally be purchased by savings banks or for trust funds having a market value of \$100,000.

This subdivision does not prohibit an insurer from providing the coverage required by this subdivision in combination with other insurance coverage.

An annual aggregate policy limit for dram shop insurance of not less than \$300,000 per policy year may be included in the policy provisions.

A liability insurance policy required by this section must provide that it may not be canceled for:

(1) any cause, except for nonpayment of premium, by either the insured or the insurer unless the canceling party has first given 30 days' notice in writing to the issuing authority of intent to cancel the policy; and

(2) nonpayment of premium unless the canceling party has first given ten days' notice in writing to the issuing authority of intent to cancel the policy.

[For text of subds 2 to 4, see M.S.2002]

History: 2003 c 112 art 2 s 50

340A.411 LICENSE RESTRICTIONS; 3.2 PERCENT MALT LIQUOR LICENSES.

Subdivision 1. **On-sale licenses.** On-sale 3.2 percent malt liquor licenses may only be issued to drugstores, restaurants, hotels, clubs, bowling centers, golf courses, and establishments used exclusively for the sale of 3.2 percent malt liquor with the incidental sale of tobacco and soft drinks.

[For text of subds 2 and 3, see M.S.2002]

History: 2003 c 126 s 8

340A.413 RESTRICTIONS ON THE NUMBER OF INTOXICATING LIQUOR LICENSES THAT MAY BE ISSUED.

[For text of subds 1 to 3, see M.S.2002]

Subd. 4. **Exclusions from license limits.** On-sale intoxicating liquor licenses may be issued to the following entities by a city, in addition to the number authorized by this section:

- (1) clubs, or congressionally chartered veterans organizations;
- (2) restaurants;
- (3) establishments that are issued licenses to sell wine under section 340A.404, subdivision 5;
- (4) theaters that are issued licenses under section 340A.404;
- (5) hotels; and
- (6) bowling centers.

[For text of subds 5 and 6, see M.S.2002]

History: 2003 c 126 s 9

340A.414 CONSUMPTION AND DISPLAY PERMITS.

[For text of subd 1, see M.S.2002]

Subd. 1a. **Additional authorization.** A holder of a consumption and display permit under this section who wishes to allow the consumption and display of intoxicating liquor between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 2:00 a.m. must obtain authorization to do so from the commissioner. The authorization may be provided in a document issued to the permit holder by the commissioner, or by a notation on the permit holder's permit. Authorizations are valid for one year from the date of issuance. The annual fee for obtaining authorization is \$200. The commissioner shall deposit all fees received under this subdivision in the alcohol enforcement account in the special revenue fund. A person who holds a consumption and display permit and who also holds a license to sell alcoholic beverages at on-sale at the same location is not required to obtain an authorization under this subdivision.

[For text of subds 2 to 9, see M.S.2002]

History: 1Sp2003 c 19 art 2 s 58

NOTE: Subdivision 1a, as added by Laws 2003, First Special Session chapter 19, article 2, section 58, is repealed July 1, 2005, provided that the commissioner of revenue has made the report to the secretary of state of the determination described in Laws 2003, First Special Session chapter 19, article 2, section 76, paragraph (b), by that date. If no such determination has been made by that date, subdivision 1a remains in effect. Laws 2003, First Special Session chapter 19, article 2, section 79, subdivision 3.

340A.504 HOURS AND DAYS OF SALE.

Subdivision 1. **3.2 percent malt liquor.** No sale of 3.2 percent malt liquor may be made between 2:00 a.m. and 8:00 a.m. on the days of Monday through Saturday, nor between 2:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon on Sunday, provided that an establishment located on land owned by the Metropolitan Sports Commission, or the sports arena for which one or more licenses have been issued under section 340A.404, subdivision 2, paragraph (c), may sell 3.2 percent malt liquor between 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon on a Sunday on which a sports or other event is scheduled to begin at that location on or before 1:00 p.m. of that day.

Subd. 2. **Intoxicating liquor; on-sale.** No sale of intoxicating liquor for consumption on the licensed premises may be made:

- (1) between 2:00 a.m. and 8:00 a.m. on the days of Monday through Saturday;
- (2) after 2:00 a.m. on Sundays, except as provided by subdivision 3.

[For text of subd 2a, see M.S.2002]

Subd. 3. **Intoxicating liquor; Sunday sales; on-sale.** (a) A restaurant, club, bowling center, or hotel with a seating capacity for at least 30 persons and which holds an on-sale intoxicating liquor license may sell intoxicating liquor for consumption on the premises in conjunction with the sale of food between the hours of 12:00 noon on Sundays and 2:00 a.m. on Mondays.

(b) The governing body of a municipality may after one public hearing by ordinance permit a restaurant, hotel, bowling center, or club to sell alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises in conjunction with the sale of food between the hours of 10:00 a.m. on Sundays and 2:00 a.m. on Mondays, provided that the licensee is in conformance with the Minnesota Clean Air Act.

(c) An establishment serving intoxicating liquor on Sundays must obtain a Sunday license. The license must be issued by the governing body of the municipality for a period of one year, and the fee for the license may not exceed \$200.

(d) A city may issue a Sunday intoxicating liquor license only if authorized to do so by the voters of the city voting on the question at a general or special election. A county may issue a Sunday intoxicating liquor license in a town only if authorized to do so by the voters of the town as provided in paragraph (e). A county may issue a Sunday intoxicating liquor license in unorganized territory only if authorized to do so by the voters of the election precinct that contains the licensed premises, voting on the question at a general or special election.

(e) An election conducted in a town on the question of the issuance by the county of Sunday sales licenses to establishments located in the town must be held on the day of the annual election of town officers.

(f) Voter approval is not required for licenses issued by the Metropolitan Airports Commission or common carrier licenses issued by the commissioner. Common carriers serving intoxicating liquor on Sunday must obtain a Sunday license from the commissioner at an annual fee of \$50, plus \$20 for each duplicate.

[For text of subds 4 to 6, see M.S.2002]

Subd. 7. **Sales after 1:00 a.m.; permit fee.** (a) No licensee may sell intoxicating liquor or 3.2 percent malt liquor on-sale between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 2:00 a.m. unless the licensee has obtained a permit from the commissioner. Application for the permit must be on a form the commissioner prescribes. Permits are effective for one year from date of issuance. For retailers of intoxicating liquor, the fee for the permit is based on the licensee's gross receipts from on-sales of alcoholic beverages in the 12 months prior to the month in which the permit is issued, and is at the following rates:

- (1) up to \$100,000 in gross receipts, \$200;
- (2) over \$100,000 but not over \$500,000 in gross receipts, \$500; and

(3) over \$500,000 in gross receipts, \$600.

For a licensed retailer of intoxicating liquor who did not sell intoxicating liquor at on-sale for a full 12 months prior to the month in which the permit is issued, the fee is \$200. For a retailer of 3.2 percent malt liquor, the fee is \$200.

(b) The commissioner shall deposit all permit fees received under this subdivision in the alcohol enforcement account in the special revenue fund.

(c) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the commissioner of revenue may furnish to the commissioner the information necessary to administer and enforce this subdivision.

History: 2003 c 126 s 10-12; 1Sp2003 c 19 art 2 s 59

NOTE: Subdivision 7, as added by Laws 2003, First Special Session chapter 19, article 2, section 59, is repealed July 1, 2005, provided that the commissioner of revenue has made the report to the secretary of state of the determination described in Laws 2003, First Special Session chapter 19, article 2, section 76, paragraph (b), by that date. If no such determination has been made by that date, subdivision 7 remains in effect. Laws 2003, First Special Session chapter 19, article 2, section 79, subdivision 3.

340A.510 SAMPLES.

Subdivision 1. **Samples for other than malt liquor authorized.** On- or off-sale retail licensees and municipal liquor stores may provide, or permit a licensed manufacturer or a wholesaler or its agents to provide on the premises of the retail licensee or municipal liquor store, samples of wine, liqueurs, cordials, and distilled spirits which the retail licensee or municipal liquor store currently has in stock and is offering for sale to the general public without obtaining an additional license, provided the wine, liqueur, cordial, and distilled spirits samples are dispensed at no charge and consumed on the licensed premises during the permitted hours of sale in a quantity less than 50 milliliters of wine per variety per customer, 25 milliliters of liqueur or cordial, and 15 milliliters of distilled spirits per variety per customer.

Subd. 2. **Malt liquor samples authorized.** (a) Notwithstanding section 340A.308, a brewer may purchase from or furnish at no cost to a licensed retailer malt liquor the brewer manufactures if:

(1) the malt liquor is dispensed by the retailer only for samples in a quantity of less than 100 milliliters of malt liquor per variety per customer;

(2) where the brewer furnishes the malt liquor, the retailer makes available for return to the brewer any unused malt liquor and empty containers;

(3) the samples are dispensed by an employee of the retailer or brewer or by a sampling service retained by the retailer or brewer and not affiliated directly or indirectly with a malt liquor wholesaler;

(4) not more than three cases of malt liquor are purchased from or furnished to the retailer by the brewer for each sampling;

(5) each sampling continues for not more than eight hours;

(6) the brewer has furnished malt liquor for not more than five samplings for any retailer in any calendar year;

(7) where the brewer furnishes the malt liquor, the brewer delivers the malt liquor for the sampling to its exclusive wholesaler for that malt liquor;

(8) the brewer has at least seven days before the sampling filed with the commissioner, on a form the commissioner prescribes, written notice of intent to furnish malt liquor for the sampling, which contains (i) the name and address of the retailer conducting the sampling, (ii) the maximum amount of malt liquor to be furnished or purchased by the brewer, (iii) the number of times the brewer has furnished malt liquor to the retailer in the calendar year in which the notice is filed, (iv) the date and time of the sampling, (v) where the brewer furnishes the malt liquor, the exclusive wholesaler to whom the brewer will deliver the malt liquor, and (vi) a statement by the brewer to the effect that to the brewer's knowledge all requirements of this section have been or will be complied with; and

(9) the commissioner has not notified the brewer filing the notice under clause (8) that the commissioner disapproves the notice.

(b) For purposes of this subdivision, "licensed retailer" means a licensed on-sale or off-sale retailer of alcoholic beverages and a municipal liquor store.

History: 2003 c 126 s 13,14

340A.511 CERTAIN SIZES MAY BE SOLD.

(a) An off-sale retailer of intoxicating liquor may sell distilled spirits in bottles of 50 milliliters.

(b) An on-sale intoxicating liquor licensee whose licensed premises includes a golf course or who is a common carrier may dispense distilled spirits from 50-milliliter bottles.

History: 2003 c 126 s 15

340A.904 SEIZED LIQUOR.

[For text of subd 1, see M.S.2002]

Subd. 2. **Sale procedure.** A sale of intoxicating liquor, materials, apparatus, or vehicles may be made only with the written approval of the commissioner of administration and after notice of the sale is published in one issue of a legal newspaper published in St. Paul. Sealed bids must be publicly opened in the Office of the Commissioner of Public Safety on a date stated in the notice, which may not be less than 15 days or more than 30 days after its publication. The net proceeds from the sale of alcoholic beverages or articles must, after the deduction of the expense of seizure or sale, be deposited by the commissioner of public safety with the commissioner of finance and credited to the general fund.

[For text of subd 3, see M.S.2002]

History: 2003 c 112 art 2 s 50