

325B.05 NOTICE OF INTENT TO TERMINATE.

Subdivision 1. **Notices; time limit.** (a) Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in any agreement between a brewer and a wholesaler, a brewer who intends to terminate, cancel, discontinue, or refuse to renew an agreement with a wholesaler must furnish written notice to that effect to the wholesaler not less than 90 days before the effective date of the intended action and must provide the wholesaler with a bona fide opportunity to substantially cure any claimed deficiency within the 90 days.

(b) The notice must be sent by certified mail and must contain, at a minimum, (1) the effective date of the intended action, and (2) a statement of the nature of the intended action and the brewer's reasons therefor.

(c) In no event may a termination, cancellation, discontinuance, or nonrenewal be effective until at least 90 days from the wholesaler's receipt of written notice under this section, unless the wholesaler has consented in writing to a shorter period.

Subd. 2. **Notices; other provisions.** Notwithstanding subdivision 1 or section 325B.04, a brewer may terminate or refuse to renew an agreement on not less than 15 days' written notice to the wholesaler, upon any of the following occurrences:

(1) the bankruptcy or insolvency of the wholesaler;

(2) an assignment of the wholesaler's assets for the benefit of creditors, or a similar disposition of those assets;

(3) revocation of the wholesaler's license under section 340A.304; or

(4) conviction or a plea of guilty or no contest to a charge of violating any state or federal law, where the violation materially affects the wholesaler's right to remain in business. A notice under this subdivision must meet the requirements of subdivision 1, paragraph (b).

History: 1977 c 328 s 5; 1994 c 611 s 4