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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. METZGER -- (at request of the State Liquor Authority) -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Investigations and Government Operations

AN ACT to amend the alcoholic beverage control law, in relation to the definition of wine

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Subdivision 36 of section 3 of the alcoholic beverage control law, as amended by chapter 548 of the laws of 2008, is amended to read as follows:

36. "Wine" means the product of the normal alcoholic fermentation of the juice of fresh, sound, ripe grapes, or other [~~fruits or plants~~] **agricultural products** with the usual cellar treatment and necessary additions to correct defects due to climatic, saccharine and seasonal conditions, including champagne, sparkling and fortified wine of an alcoholic content not to exceed twenty-four per centum by volume. Wine produced from fruits or plants **or other agricultural products** other than grapes shall include appropriate prefixes descriptive of the fruit or the product from which such wine was predominantly produced, and no other product shall be called "wine" unless designated as artificial or imitation wine.

§ 2. Subdivision 20-a of section 3 of the alcoholic beverage control law, as amended by chapter 571 of the laws of 2008, is amended to read as follows:

20-a. "New York state labelled wine" means wine made from grapes or other [~~fruits~~] **agricultural products**, at least seventy-five percent the volume of which were grown in New York state.

§ 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION--Matter in *italics* (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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