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Introduced by M. of A. FAHY -- read once and referred to the Committee on Economic Development

AN ACT to amend the alcoholic beverage control law, in relation to the sale of tonic water, bitters and maraschino cherries at liquor stores

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

Section 1. Subdivision 4 of section 63 of the alcoholic beverage 2 control law, as amended by chapter 360 of the laws of 2017, is amended 3 to read as follows:

- 4. No licensee under this section shall be engaged in any other busi-5 ness on the licensed premises. The sale of any of the following shall not constitute engaging in another business within the meaning of this subdivision:
- 8 (a) lottery tickets, when duly authorized and lawfully conducted[- the 9 sale of];
- 10 (b) corkscrews [or the sale of];
- 11 (c) ice [or the sale of];

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- (d) publications, including prerecorded video and/or audio cassette 12 13 tapes, or educational seminars, designed to help educate consumers in 14 their knowledge and appreciation of alcoholic beverages, as defined in 16 the sale of];
- 17 (e) non-carbonated, non-flavored mineral waters, spring waters and 18 drinking waters [or the sale of];
- (f) glasses designed for the consumption of wine, racks designed for 19 20 the storage of wine, and devices designed to minimize oxidation in 21 bottles of wine which have been uncorked[- shall not constitute engaging 22 in another business within the meaning of this subdivision];
- 23 (q) tonic water;
- 24 (h) bitters; and
- 25 (i) maraschino cherries.

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

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Any fee obtained from the sale of an educational seminar shall not be considered as a fee for any tasting that may be offered during an educational seminar, provided that such tastings are available to persons who have not paid to attend the seminar and all tastings are conducted in accordance with section sixty-three-a of this article.

- § 2. Paragraph (a) of subdivision 1 of section 104 of the alcoholic beverage control law, as amended by chapter 2 of the laws of 2013, is amended to read as follows:
- 9 (a) No wholesaler shall be engaged in any other business on the prem-10 ises to be licensed; except that nothing contained in this chapter 11 shall: (1) prohibit a beer wholesaler from (i) acquiring, storing or selling non-alcoholic snack foods, as defined in paragraph (b) of this 12 13 subdivision, (ii) manufacturing, bottling, storing, or selling non-alco-14 holic carbonated beverages, (iii) manufacturing, storing or selling non-alcoholic non-carbonated soft drinks, mineral waters, spring waters, 15 16 drinking water, non-taxable malt or cereal beverages, juice drinks, 17 fruit or vegetable juices, ice, liquid beverage mixes and dry or frozen 18 beverage mixes, (iv) acquiring, storing or selling wine products, (v) 19 the sale of promotional items on such premises, or (vi) the sale of 20 tobacco products at retail by wholesalers who are licensed to sell beer 21 and other products at retail; (2) prohibit a wholesaler authorized to sell wine from manufacturing, acquiring or selling wine merchandise, as 22 defined in paragraph (d) of this subdivision; (3) prohibit a licensed 23 winery or licensed farm winery from engaging in the business of a wine 24 25 wholesaler for New York state labeled wines produced by any licensed 26 winery or licensed farm winery or prohibit such wine wholesaler from 27 exercising any of its rights pursuant to sections seventy-six and seventy-six-a of this chapter provided that the operation of such beer and 28 29 wine wholesalers business shall be subject to such rules and regulations 30 as the liquor authority may prescribe; (4) prohibit a beer wholesaler 31 is authorized to sell beer at retail from selling at retail: (i) 32 candy, chewing gum and cough drops; (ii) non-refrigerated salsa; (iii) 33 cigarette lighters, lighter fluid, matches and ashtrays; (iv) barbecue 34 and picnic-related products and supplies, which shall include, but not 35 limited to, charcoal, grills, propane gas, plastic and paper cups, 36 paper or plastic tablecloths and coolers; (v) beer making and brewing 37 supplies and publications, which shall include, but not be limited to, 38 books, magazines, equipment and ingredients; (vi) steins, mugs and other glassware appropriate for the consumption of beer, malt beverages and 39 wine products; (vii) items typically used to serve beer and malt bever-40 41 ages including, but not limited to, taps, kegerators, koozies and beer 42 socks; (viii) lemons, limes and oranges, provided that no more than two 43 dozen of each shall be displayed at any one time; (ix) rock salt, ice 44 and snow melting compounds, snow shovels; windshield washer solvent; 45 firewood; beach umbrellas; sunglasses and sun block; and (x) prepaid 46 telephone cards; [ex](5) prohibit the installation and operation of a 47 single automated teller machine in the premises of a beer wholesaler who is authorized to sell beer at retail; or (6) prohibit a liquor whole-48 saler from transporting or selling tonic water, bitters and maraschino 49 cherries. For the purposes of this subdivision, "automated teller 50 machine" means a device which is linked to the accounts and records of a 51 52 banking institution and which enables consumers to carry out banking transactions, including but not limited to, account transfers, deposits, 54 cash withdrawals, balance inquiries and loan payments.
 - § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.