



From the Desk of
Senator
Steiner Hayward

To Whom It May Concern

May 13, 2013

My name is Brian McMEnamin and I am part owner of McMEnamins Pubs & Breweries. We have 48 locations across the state of Oregon. We brew beer at 13 of those locations, make wine at one of them and distill at two of them. I am writing in support of HB 3435.

HB3435 will allow us to taste and sell our spirits in more of our locations than we currently can. Many of our properties cater to Oregon's tourist industry and this will be an added benefit. We currently are allowed to retail our beer and wine and that has been very successful.

We worked with the legislature in 1985 to pass the Brewpub law. As the industry grew there have been many changes along the way. I see a parallel here with the Distillery law. There are currently 50 distilleries in Oregon with more in the works. Changes along the way will help the industry along and hopefully it will become as important to the culture of Oregon as craft brewing has. Thank you for your consideration of the bill.

Sincerely,

Brian McMEnamin

VP/Sec. McMEnamins Inc.