

HB 3239 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY
House Committee On Economic Development

Carrier: Rep. Helt

Action Date: 04/08/19

Action: Do Pass.

Vote: 11-0-0-0

Yeas: 11 - Barreto, Bonham, Drazan, Fahey, Helm, Lively, Marsh, McKeown, McLain, Wallan, Witt

Fiscal: No fiscal impact

Revenue: Has minimal revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 4/1, 4/8

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Allows distillery licensee to hold one or more full on-premises sales licenses.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Potential impact on liquor stores
- Alignment of statute and practice

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Oregon Liquor Control Commission (OLCC) oversees the sale of alcoholic beverages and recreational marijuana to allow access to responsible adults while protecting Oregon’s public health, safety, and community livability. The OLCC manages and distributes distilled spirits, licenses and regulates businesses that sell and serve alcohol, and trains and issues permits for alcohol servers.

A distillery licensee may make and import distilled spirits into Oregon; export distilled spirits out of Oregon; sell distilled spirits to the OLCC (for sale in a liquor store); and sell distilled spirits in bulk (in a container having a capacity greater than one U.S. gallon) to another Oregon distillery licensee.

A holder of a full on-premises sales license may sell and serve distilled spirits, malt beverages, wine, and cider for consumption on the licensed premises, and may sell malt beverages, wine, and cider to individuals in a securely covered container (“growler”) for consumption off the licensed premises (the container may not hold more than two gallons).

Under current law a distillery licensee may have one full on-premises sales license at the licensed premises of the distillery and one full on-premises sales license for another location. House Bill 3239 removes that limitation and allows a distillery licensee to also hold an unlimited number of full on-premises sales licenses.