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1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to the Department of Business
3	and Professional Regulation; amending s.
4	509.049, F.S.; revising language with respect
5	to food service employee training; providing
6	for a food service training certificate
7	program; providing for approval of existing
8	programs; providing for requests for
9	competitive sealed proposals; amending s.
10	509.291, F.S.; revising the membership of the
11	Hotel and Restaurant Advisory Council; amending
12	s. 561.01, F.S.; revising the definition of the
13	term "licensee" under the Beverage Law;
14	amending s. 561.17, F.S.; revising a provision
15	relating to license and registration
16	applications under the Beverage Law; amending
17	s. 561.181, F.S.; revising language with
18	respect to temporary initial licenses; amending
19	s. 561.20, F.S.; revising language with respect
20	to the limitation on the number of alcoholic
21	beverage licenses issued; creating a special
22	license category for caterers; providing
23	conditions for operation; providing for
24	adoption of rules; amending s. 561.29, F.S.;
25	revising language with respect to the
26	revocation and suspension of licenses under the
27	Beverage Law to include another prohibition;
28	amending s. 561.32, F.S.; revising a provision
29	relating to the transfer of a license; amending
30	s. 561.331, F.S.; revising language with
31	respect to a temporary license issued upon
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1 application for transfer, change of location, 2 or change of type or series; amending s. 3 565.05, F.S.; providing an exception regarding the purchase of alcoholic beverages by golf 4 5 clubs; amending s. 565.06, F.S.; authorizing the sale of alcoholic beverages in certain б 7 individual containers at golf clubs; providing 8 an effective date. 9 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 10 11 12 Section 1. Section 509.049, Florida Statutes, is 13 amended to read: 14 509.049 Food service employee training.--The division 15 shall adopt, by rule, minimum food safety protection standards 16 for the training of all food service employees who are responsible for the storage, preparation, display, or serving 17 of foods to the public in establishments regulated under this 18 19 chapter. These standards shall not include an examination, 20 but shall provide for a food safety training certificate program for food service employees to be administered by a 21 22 private nonprofit provider chosen by the division. The division shall issue a request for competitive sealed 23 proposals which includes a statement of the contractual 24 25 services sought and all terms and conditions applicable to the 26 contract. The division shall award the contract to the 27 provider whose proposal is determined in writing to be the 28 most advantageous to the state, taking into consideration the 29 price and the other criteria set forth in the request for proposals. The division shall contract with a provider on a 30 4-year basis and is authorized to promulgate by rule a per 31

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employee fee to cover the contracted price for the program 1 administered by the provider. In making its selection, the 2 division shall consider factors including, but not limited to, 3 the experience and history of the provider in representing the 4 5 food service industry, the provider's demonstrated commitment to food safety, and its ability to provide a statewide program 6 7 with industry support and participation. Any food safety 8 training program established and administered to food handler 9 employees utilized at a public food service establishment prior to the effective date of this act shall be submitted by 10 11 the operator to the division for its review and approval. If 12 the food safety training program is approved by the division, 13 nothing in this section shall preclude any other operator of a 14 food service establishment from also utilizing the approved program or require the employees of any operator to receive 15 16 training from or pay a fee to the division's contracted 17 provider. Review and approval by the division of a program or programs under this section shall include, but not be limited 18 19 to, the minimum food safety standards adopted by the division 20 in accordance with this section or certification. It shall be the duty of the licensee of the public food service 21 22 establishment to provide training in accordance with the described rule to all employees under the licensee's 23 supervision or control. The licensee may designate a 24 certified food service manager to perform this function as an 25 26 agent of the licensee. 27 Section 2. Subsection (1) of section 509.291, Florida 28 Statutes, is amended to read: 509.291 Advisory council.--29 30 (1) There is created a 9-member an 18-member advisory council. 31

1 The Secretary of Business and Professional (a) 2 Regulation shall appoint five 11 voting members to the 3 advisory council. Each member appointed by the secretary must be an operator of an establishment licensed under this chapter 4 5 and shall represent the industries regulated by the division, б except that one member appointed by the secretary must be a 7 layperson and shall represent the general public. Such members 8 of the council shall serve staggered terms of 4 years. 9 (b) The division, the Department of Health, The Florida Hotel and Motel Association, the Florida Restaurant 10 11 Association, the Florida Apartment Association, and the 12 Florida Association of Realtors shall each designate one 13 representative to serve as a voting member of the council, and 14 one member appointed by the secretary must be appointed to represent nontransient public lodging establishments. 15 In 16 addition, one hospitality administration educator from an institution of higher education affiliated with the 17 Hospitality Education Program pursuant to s. 509.302(2) shall 18 19 serve for a term of 2 years as an ex officio, nonvoting a 20 voting member of the council. This single representative shall be designated on a rotating basis by the institution or 21 22 institutions of higher education affiliated with this program pursuant to s. 509.302(2). 23 (c) Any member who fails to attend three consecutive 24 25 council meetings without good cause may be removed from the 26 council by the secretary. 27 Section 3. Subsection (14) of section 561.01, Florida 28 Statutes, is amended to read: 29 561.01 Definitions.--As used in the Beverage Law: (14) "Licensee,"" applicant, " or "person" means a 30 legal or business entity, person, or persons that hold a 31 4

license issued by the division and meet the qualifications set 1 2 forth in s. 561.15 an individual, corporation, firm, 3 partnership, limited partnership, incorporated association, unincorporated association, professional association, or other 4 5 legal or commercial entity; a combination of such entities; or any such entity having a financial interest, directly or 6 7 indirectly, in another such entity. 8 Section 4. Subsection (1) of section 561.17, Florida 9 Statutes, is amended to read: 10 561.17 License and registration applications; approved 11 person.--12 (1) Any person, before engaging in the business of 13 manufacturing, bottling, distributing, selling, or in any way 14 dealing in alcoholic beverages, shall file, with the district licensing personnel supervisor of the district of the division 15 in which the place of business for which a license is sought 16 17 is located, a sworn application in duplicate on forms provided to the district licensing personnel supervisor by the 18 division. The applicant must be a legal or business entity, 19 20 person, or persons and must include all persons, officers, shareholders, and directors of such legal or business entity 21 22 that have a direct or indirect interest in the business seeking to be licensed under this part. However, the applicant 23 does not include any person that derives revenue from the 24 license solely through a contractual relationship with the 25 26 licensee, the substance of which contractual relationship is 27 not related to the control of the sale of alcoholic beverages. 28 Prior to any application being approved, the division may 29 require the applicant to file a set of fingerprints on regular United States Department of Justice forms for herself or 30 31 himself and for any person or persons interested directly or 5

indirectly with the applicant in the business for which the 1 2 license is being sought, when so required by the division. Ιf 3 the applicant or any person who is interested with the applicant either directly or indirectly in the business or who 4 5 has a security interest in the license being sought or has a right to a percentage payment from the proceeds of the 6 7 business, either by lease or otherwise, is not qualified, the 8 application shall be denied by the division. However, any company regularly traded on a national securities exchange and 9 not over the counter; any insurer, as defined in the Florida 10 11 Insurance Code; or any bank or savings and loan association 12 chartered by this state, another state, or the United States 13 which has an interest, directly or indirectly, in an alcoholic 14 beverage license shall not be required to obtain division approval of its officers, directors, or stockholders or any 15 16 change of such positions or interests. A shopping center with five or more stores, one or more of which has an alcoholic 17 beverage license and is required under a lease common to all 18 shopping center tenants to pay no more than 10 percent of the 19 20 gross proceeds of the business holding the license to the shopping center, shall not be considered as having an 21 22 interest, directly or indirectly, in the license. 23 Section 5. Section 561.181, Florida Statutes, is 24 amended to read: 25 561.181 Temporary initial licenses.--26 (1)(a) A temporary initial license shall not be 27 continued or extended during any proceeding for administrative 28 or judicial review pursuant to chapter 120 challenging or 29 appealing the final agency action denying the application when the license application is denied due to the failure of the 30 31

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applicant to disclose a prior felony conviction or the 1 2 applicant's true identity. 3 (b) A temporary initial license shall be continued or 4 extended during any proceeding for administrative or judicial 5 review pursuant to chapter 120 challenging or appealing the б final agency action denying the application when the license 7 application is denied for reasons other than for the failure 8 of the applicant to disclose a prior felony conviction or the 9 applicant's true identity. 10 (c) A temporary initial license shall be valid for up 11 to 90 days and may be extended by the division for an 12 additional period of time for good cause. 13 (2)(1)(a) When any person has filed a properly 14 completed application which does not on its face disclose any reason for denying an alcoholic beverage license, the division 15 16 shall issue to such person a temporary initial license of the same type and series for which the application has been 17 submitted, to be valid for all purposes under the Beverage 18 Law, except as provided in paragraph (b). 19 20 (b) A temporary initial license issued under this 21 section entitles a temporary licensee vendor to purchase 22 alcoholic beverages for cash only. This paragraph does not 23 apply: 24 1. If the entity holding the temporary initial license 25 is also the holder of a beverage license authorizing the 26 purchase of the same type of alcoholic beverages as is 27 authorized under the temporary initial license. 28 2. To purchases made as part of a single-transaction 29 cooperative purchase placed by a pool buying agent. 30 31 7

1 (3) (3) (2) The temporary initial license shall be valid 2 until the application is denied or until 14 days after the 3 application is approved. 4 (4) (4) (3) A temporary initial license shall expire and 5 shall not be continued or extended beyond the date the division denies the application for license, beyond 14 days 6 7 after the date the division approves the application for 8 license, beyond the date the applicant pays the license fee 9 for and the division issues the license applied for, beyond the time period provided for under subsection (1), or beyond 10 11 the date the temporary initial license otherwise expires by 12 law, whichever date occurs first. 13 (5) (4) Each applicant seeking a temporary initial 14 license shall pay to the division for such license a fee equal to one-fourth of the annual license fee for the type and 15 16 series of license being applied for or \$100, whichever is greater, which fee shall be deposited into the General Revenue 17 18 Fund. 19 Section 6. Subsection (1) and paragraph (a) of 20 subsection (2) of section 561.20, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 21 22 561.20 Limitation upon number of licenses issued .--(1) No license under s. 565.02(1)(a)-(f), inclusive, 23 shall be issued so that the number of such licenses within the 24 25 limits of the territory of any county exceeds one such license 26 to each 7,500 5,000 residents within such county. Regardless 27 of the number of quota licenses issued prior to October 1, 28 2000 1992, on and after that date, a new license under s. 29 565.02(1)(a)-(f), inclusive, shall be issued for each population increase of 7,500 5,000 residents above the number 30 31 of residents who resided in the county according to the April 8

1, 1999 1991, Florida Estimate of Population as published by 1 2 the Bureau of Economic and Business Research at the University 3 of Florida, and thereafter, based on the last regular population estimate prepared pursuant to s. 186.901, for such 4 5 county. Such population estimates shall be the basis for annual license issuance regardless of any local acts to the 6 7 contrary. However, such limitation shall not prohibit the 8 issuance of at least three licenses in any county that may 9 approve the sale of intoxicating liquors in such county.

10 (2)(a) No such limitation of the number of licenses as 11 herein provided shall henceforth prohibit the issuance of a 12 special license to:

13 1. Any bona fide hotel, motel, or motor court of not 14 fewer than 80 guest rooms in any county having a population of less than 50,000 residents, and of not fewer than 100 guest 15 16 rooms in any county having a population of 50,000 residents or greater; or any bona fide hotel or motel located in a historic 17 structure, as defined in s. 561.01(21), with fewer than 100 18 19 guest rooms which derives at least 51 percent of its gross revenue from the rental of hotel or motel rooms, which is 20 licensed as a public lodging establishment by the Division of 21 22 Hotels and Restaurants; provided, however, that a bona fide hotel or motel with no fewer than 10 and no more than 25 guest 23 rooms which is a historic structure, as defined in s. 24 561.01(21), in a municipality that on the effective date of 25 26 this act has a population, according to the University of Florida's Bureau of Economic and Business Research Estimates 27 28 of Population for 1998, of no fewer than 25,000 and no more 29 than 35,000 residents and that is within a constitutionally chartered county may be issued a special license. This special 30 31 license shall allow the sale and consumption of alcoholic

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beverages only on the licensed premises of the hotel or motel. In addition, the hotel or motel must derive at least 60 percent of its gross revenue from the rental of hotel or motel rooms and the sale of food and nonalcoholic beverages; provided that the provisions of this subparagraph shall supersede local laws requiring a greater number of hotel rooms;

8 2. Any condominium accommodation of which no fewer 9 than 100 condominium units are wholly rentable to transients 10 and which is licensed under the provisions of chapter 509, 11 except that the license shall be issued only to the person or 12 corporation which operates the hotel or motel operation and 13 not to the association of condominium owners;

Any condominium accommodation of which no fewer 14 3. than 50 condominium units are wholly rentable to transients, 15 16 which is licensed under the provisions of chapter 509, and which is located in any county having home rule under s. 10 or 17 s. 11, Art. VIII of the State Constitution of 1885, as 18 19 amended, and incorporated by reference in s. 6(e), Art. VIII 20 of the State Constitution, except that the license shall be 21 issued only to the person or corporation which operates the 22 hotel or motel operation and not to the association of condominium owners; or 23

24 Any restaurant having 2,500 square feet of service 4. 25 area and equipped to serve 150 persons full course meals at tables at one time, and deriving at least 51 percent of its 26 27 gross revenue from the sale of food and nonalcoholic 28 beverages; however, no restaurant granted a special license on 29 or after January 1, 1958, pursuant to general or special law shall operate as a package store, nor shall intoxicating 30 31

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beverages be sold under such license after the hours of 1 2 serving food have elapsed; or. 5. Any caterer licensed by the Division of Hotels and 3 4 Restaurants under chapter 509. Notwithstanding any other 5 provision of law to the contrary, a licensee under this б subparagraph shall sell or serve alcoholic beverages only for 7 consumption on the premises of a catered event at which the 8 licensee is also providing prepared food, and shall 9 prominently display its license at any catered event at which the caterer is selling or serving alcoholic beverages. A 10 11 licensee under this subparagraph shall purchase all alcoholic 12 beverages it sells or serves at a catered event from a vendor 13 licensed under s. 563.02(1), s. 564.02(1), or s. 561.20(1), as 14 appropriate. A licensee under this subparagraph may not store 15 any alcoholic beverages to be sold or served at a catered 16 event. Any alcoholic beverages purchased by a licensee under 17 this subparagraph for a catered event that are not used at that event must remain with the customer; provided that if the 18 19 vendor accepts unopened alcoholic beverages, the licensee may 20 return such alcoholic beverages, to the vendor for a credit or reimbursement. Regardless of the county or counties in which 21 22 the licensee operates, a licensee under this subparagraph shall pay the annual state license tax set forth in s. 23 565.02(1)(b). A licensee under this subparagraph must maintain 24 25 for a period of 3 years all records required by the department 26 by rule to demonstrate compliance with the requirements of 27 this subparagraph, including licensed vendor receipts for the 28 purchase of alcoholic beverages and records identifying each customer and the location and date of each catered event. 29 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, any 30 vendor licensed under s. 561.20(1) may, without any additional 31

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licensure under this subparagraph, serve or sell alcoholic 1 2 beverages for consumption on the premises of a catered event 3 at which prepared food is provided by a caterer licensed under chapter 509. If a licensee under this subparagraph also 4 5 possesses any other license under the Beverage Law, the б license issued under this subparagraph shall not authorize the 7 holder to conduct activities on the premises to which the 8 other license or licenses apply that would otherwise be 9 prohibited by the terms of that license or the Beverage Law. Nothing in this section shall permit the licensee to conduct 10 11 activities that are otherwise prohibited by the Beverage Law 12 or local law. The Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco 13 is hereby authorized to adopt rules to administer the license 14 created in this subparagraph, to include rules governing licensure, recordkeeping, and enforcement. All fees collected 15 16 by the division pursuant to this subparagraph shall be 17 deposited into the Hotel and Restaurant Trust Fund created pursuant to s. 509.072. 18 19 20 However, any license heretofore issued to any such hotel, motel, motor court, or restaurant or hereafter issued to any

21 such hotel, motel, or motor court, including a condominium 22 accommodation, under the general law shall not be moved to a 23 new location, such license being valid only on the premises of 24 such hotel, motel, motor court, or restaurant. Licenses issued 25 26 to hotels, motels, motor courts, or restaurants under the 27 general law and held by such hotels, motels, motor courts, or 28 restaurants on May 24, 1947, shall be counted in the quota 29 limitation contained in subsection (1). Any license issued for any hotel, motel, or motor court under the provisions of 30 31 this law shall be issued only to the owner of the hotel,

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motel, or motor court or, in the event the hotel, motel, or 1 2 motor court is leased, to the lessee of the hotel, motel, or 3 motor court; and the license shall remain in the name of the owner or lessee so long as the license is in existence. Any 4 5 special license now in existence heretofore issued under the б provisions of this law cannot be renewed except in the name of 7 the owner of the hotel, motel, motor court, or restaurant or, 8 in the event the hotel, motel, motor court, or restaurant is 9 leased, in the name of the lessee of the hotel, motel, motor court, or restaurant in which the license is located and must 10 11 remain in the name of the owner or lessee so long as the 12 license is in existence. Any license issued under this 13 section shall be marked "Special," and nothing herein provided 14 shall limit, restrict, or prevent the issuance of a special license for any restaurant or motel which shall hereafter meet 15 16 the requirements of the law existing immediately prior to the effective date of this act, if construction of such restaurant 17 has commenced prior to the effective date of this act and is 18 19 completed within 30 days thereafter, or if an application is 20 on file for such special license at the time this act takes 21 effect; and any such licenses issued under this proviso may be 22 annually renewed as now provided by law. Nothing herein prevents an application for transfer of a license to a bona 23 fide purchaser of any hotel, motel, motor court, or restaurant 24 by the purchaser of such facility or the transfer of such 25 26 license pursuant to law. 27 Section 7. Paragraph (k) is added to subsection (1) of 28 section 561.29, Florida Statutes, to read: 29 561.29 Revocation and suspension of license; power to 30 subpoena.--31

(1) The division is given full power and authority to 1 2 revoke or suspend the license of any person holding a license 3 under the Beverage Law, when it is determined or found by the division upon sufficient cause appearing of: 4 5 (k) Failure by the holder of any license issued under 6 the Beverage Law to comply with a stipulation, consent order, 7 or final order. 8 Section 8. Subsection (5) of section 561.32, Florida 9 Statutes, is amended to read: 561.32 Transfer of licenses; change of officers or 10 11 directors; transfer of interest.--(5) The division shall waive the transfer fee and the 12 13 delinquent penalties, but not the license renewal fee, when 14 the transfer of an interest in an alcoholic beverage license occurs by operation of law because of a death, judicial 15 16 proceedings, court appointment of a fiduciary, foreclosure or 17 forced judicial sale, bankruptcy proceedings, or seizure of a 18 license by a government agency. 19 Section 9. Section 561.331, Florida Statutes, is 20 amended to read: 561.331 Temporary license upon application for 21 transfer, change of location, or change of type or series .--22 (1)(a) A temporary license for transfer, change of 23 24 location, or change of type or series shall not be continued 25 or extended during any proceeding for administrative or 26 judicial review pursuant to chapter 120 challenging or 27 appealing the final agency action denying the application when 28 the license application is denied due to the failure of the 29 applicant to disclose a prior felony conviction or the applicant's true identity. 30 31

(b) A temporary license for transfer, change of 1 2 location, or change of type or series shall be continued or extended during any proceeding for administrative or judicial 3 4 review pursuant to chapter 120 challenging or appealing the 5 final agency action denying the application when the license 6 application is denied for reasons other than the failure of 7 the applicant to disclose all prior felony convictions or the 8 applicant's true identity. 9 (c) A temporary license shall be valid for up to 90 10 days and may be extended by the division for an additional period of time for good cause. 11 (2) (1) Upon the filing of a properly completed 12 13 application for transfer pursuant to s. 561.32, which 14 application does not on its face disclose any reason for 15 denying an alcoholic beverage license, by any purchaser of a 16 business which possesses a beverage license of any type or series, the purchaser of such business and the applicant for 17 transfer are entitled as a matter of right to receive a 18 19 temporary beverage license of the same type and series as that 20 held by the seller of such business. The temporary license will be valid for all purposes under the Beverage Law until 21 22 the application is denied, or until 14 days after the 23 application is approved, or until the time period provided 24 under subsection (1) has elapsed, whichever occurs first. Such 25 temporary beverage license shall be issued by the district 26 supervisor of the district in which the application for transfer is made upon the payment of a fee of \$100. A 27 temporary licensee, while purchaser operating under a valid 28 29 temporary license issued under the provisions of this subsection, is subject to the same rights, privileges, duties, 30 31 and limitations of a beverage licensee as are provided by the 15

Beverage Law, except that purchases of alcoholic beverages 1 2 during the term of such temporary license shall be for cash 3 only. However, such cash-only restriction does not apply if the entity holding a temporary license pursuant to this 4 5 section purchases alcoholic beverages as part of a single-transaction cooperative purchase placed by a pool 6 7 buying agent or if such entity is also the holder of a state 8 beverage license authorizing the purchase of the same type of alcoholic beverages as authorized under the temporary license. 9 10 (3) (2) Upon the filing of a properly completed an 11 application for change of location pursuant to s. 561.33 by 12 any qualified licensee who possesses a beverage license of any 13 type or series, which application does not on its face 14 disclose any reason for denying an alcoholic beverage license, the licensee is entitled as a matter of right to receive a 15 16 temporary beverage license of the same series as that license held by the licensee to be valid for all purposes under the 17 Beverage Law until the application is denied, or until 14 days 18 19 after the application is approved, or until the time period 20 provided under subsection (1) has elapsed, whichever occurs 21 first. Such temporary license shall be issued by the district 22 supervisor of the district in which the application for change of location is made without the payment of any further fee or 23 tax. A temporary licensee, while operating under a valid 24 25 temporary license issued under the provisions of this 26 subsection, is subject to the same rights, privileges, duties, 27 and limitations of a beverage licensee as are provided by the 28 Beverage Law. 29 (4) (4) (3) Upon the filing of a properly completed application to change the type or series of a beverage license 30

31 by any qualified licensee having a beverage license of any

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type or series, which application does not on its face 1 2 disclose any reason for denying an alcoholic beverage license, 3 the licensee is entitled as a matter of right to receive a temporary beverage license of the type or series applied for, 4 5 which temporary license is valid for all purposes under the Beverage Law until the application is denied, or until 14 days б 7 after the application is approved, or until the time period 8 provided under subsection (1) has elapsed, whichever occurs 9 first. Such temporary license shall be issued by the district supervisor of the district in which the application for change 10 of type or series is made. If the fee for the type or series 11 12 or license applied for is greater than the fee for the license 13 then held by the applicant, the applicant for such temporary 14 license must pay a fee in the amount of \$100 or one-fourth of the difference between the fees, whichever amount is greater. 15 A fee is not required for an application for a temporary 16 license of a type or series for which the fee is the same as 17 or less than the fee for the license then held by the 18 19 applicant. The holder of A temporary licensee, while operating 20 under a valid temporary license under this subsection, is 21 subject to the same rights, privileges, duties, and 22 limitations of a beverage licensee as are provided by the 23 Beverage Law. 24 (5)(4) Nothing in this section shall be construed to permit the transfer or issuance of temporary licenses contrary 25 26 to the county-by-county limitation on the number of such 27 licenses based on population as provided in s. 561.20(1). 28 Section 10. Section 565.05, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 29 565.05 Purchase of distilled spirits by licensed 30 clubs; size of individual containers.--It is unlawful for any 31 17

person holding a license as a club for the sale of distilled spirits to purchase any of said distilled spirits in individual containers larger than 1.75 liters or 59.18 ounces, or smaller than 0.50 liter or 16.9 ounces, except for golf clubs licensed pursuant to s. 561.20(7)(b), which may purchase 50 milliliter or 1.7 ounce containers. Section 11. Section 565.06, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 565.06 Clubs to sell only individual drinks.--It is unlawful for any person holding a license as a club for the sale of intoxicating liquors and beverages to sell the same except by the individual drink. However, golf clubs licensed pursuant to s. 561.20(7)(b) may sell individual containers of 50 milliliters or 1.7 ounces for consumption on the premises only. Section 12. This act shall take effect July 1, 2000.