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The Committee on Fiscal Policy (Bradley) recommended the following:

## Senate Amendment

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Delete lines 134 - 164

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and insert:

5 upon written request of the licensee, give a one-time written waiver or extension of the requirement of this paragraph for a 6 7 period not to exceed 12 months may waive or extend the

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requirement of this section upon the finding of hardship,

9 10 including the purchase of the license in order to transfer it to a newly constructed or remodeled location. However, during such

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closed period, the licensee shall make reasonable efforts toward restoring the license to active status. This paragraph shall apply to all annual license periods commencing on or after July 1, 1981, but shall not apply to licenses issued after September 30, 1988.

(i) Failure of any licensee issued a new or transfer license after September 30, 1988, under s. 561.20(1) to maintain the licensed premises in an active manner in which the licensed premises are open for business to the public for the bona fide retail sale of authorized alcoholic beverages during regular and reasonable business hours for at least 8 hours a day for a period of 210 days or more during any 12-month period commencing 6 months after the acquisition of the license by the licensee. It is the intent of this act that for purposes of compliance with this paragraph, a licensee shall operate the licensed premises in a manner so as to maximize sales and tax revenues thereon; this includes maintaining a reasonable inventory of merchandise, including authorized alcoholic beverages, and the use of good business practices to achieve the intent of this law. Any attempt by a licensee to circumvent the intent of this law shall be grounds for revocation or suspension of the alcoholic beverage license. Every licensee must notify the division in writing of any period during which his or her license is inactive and place the physical license with the division to be held in an inactive status. The division shall may, upon written request of the licensee, give a one-time written waiver