A bill to be entitled

An act relating to tied house evil; repealing s. 561.42, F.S., relating to tied house evil; amending ss. 561.221, 561.32, 561.423, 561.424, 564.07, 564.08, 565.16, and 565.17, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

- Section 1. Section 561.42, Florida Statutes, is repealed.

 Section 2. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) and paragraph

 (a) of subsection (2) of section 561.221, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
- 561.221 Licensing of manufacturers and distributors as vendors and of vendors as manufacturers; conditions and limitations.—
- (1) (a) Nothing contained in s. 561.22, s. 561.42, or any other provision of the Beverage Law prohibits the ownership, management, operation, or control of not more than three vendor's licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages by a manufacturer of wine who is licensed and engaged in the manufacture of wine in this state, even if such manufacturer is also licensed as a distributor; provided that no such vendor's license shall be owned, managed, operated, or controlled by any licensed manufacturer of wine unless the licensed premises of

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the vendor are situated on property contiguous to the manufacturing premises of the licensed manufacturer of wine.

- (2) (a) Notwithstanding s. 561.22, s. 561.42, or any other provision of the Beverage Law, the division is authorized to issue vendor's licenses to a manufacturer of malt beverages, even if such manufacturer is also licensed as a distributor, for the sale of alcoholic beverages on property consisting of a single complex, which property shall include a brewery. However, such property may be divided by no more than one public street or highway.
- Section 3. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 561.32, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 561.32 Transfer of licenses; change of officers or directors; transfer of interest.—
- (2)(a) No person is entitled as a matter of right to a transfer of a license or interest in a license to a relative or to any other person or to a change of executive officers or directors:
- 1. If the division has notified the licensee in writing that a revocation, suspension, or administrative proceeding $\frac{1}{2}$ or $\frac{1}{2}$ has been or will be brought against the license; or
- 2. If a licensee, executive officer, director, or person holding an interest in the license or business has been arrested, charged, indicted, or convicted, or has appealed the

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conviction, of a crime which is disqualifying under the alcoholic beverage laws. Any licensee, executive officer, director, or person holding an interest in a license or business who is arrested, charged, indicted, or convicted, or has appealed the conviction, of a crime which is disqualifying under the alcoholic beverage laws is required to immediately notify the division in writing of such action.

It is unlawful to transfer or attempt to transfer any license or interest in a license or business or change executive officers or directors contrary to the provisions of this section.

Section 4. Section 561.423, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

authorized.—Nothing in s. 561.42 or any other provision of the Beverage Law shall prohibit a distributor of beer or malt beverages from providing in-store servicing of beer or malt beverages. "In-store servicing" as used herein means quality control procedures which include, but are not limited to: rotation of malt beverages on the vendor's shelves, rotation and placing of malt beverages in vendor's coolers, proper stacking and maintenance of appearance and display of malt beverages on vendor's shelves, price-stamping of malt beverages in vendor's licensed premises, and moving or resetting any product or display in order to display a distributor's own product when

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authorized by the vendor.

Section 5. Subsection (2) of section 561.424, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

561.424 Vinous beverages; in-store servicing authorized.-

(2) Nothing in s. 561.42 or any other provision of the alcoholic Beverage Law shall prohibit a distributor of wine from providing in-store servicing of wine sold by such distributor to a vendor. "In-store servicing" as used herein means: placing the wine on the vendor's shelves and maintaining the appearance and display of said wine on the vendor's shelves in the vendor's licensed premises; placing the wine not so shelved or displayed in a storage area designated by the vendor, which is located in the vendor's licensed premises; rotation of vinous beverages; and price stamping of vinous beverages in vendor's licensed premises. This section shall not apply to distilled spirits.

Section 6. Section 564.07, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

564.07 Wine lists furnished to vendors.—A distributor of vinous beverages in this state may furnish, give, rent, loan, or sell to a vendor, and a vendor may accept, alcoholic beverage lists, commonly referred to as "wine lists," without the same being a violation of s. 561.42(1).

Section 7. Section 564.08, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

564.08 Wine tastings by distributors and vendors.—A

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licensed distributor of vinous beverages, or any vendor, is authorized to conduct wine tastings upon any licensed premises authorized to sell vinous or spirituous beverages by package or for consumption on premises without being in violation of s. 561.42, provided that the conduct of the wine tasting shall be limited to and directed toward the general public of the age of legal consumption.

Section 8. Section 565.16, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

565.16 Beverage lists furnished to vendors.—A distributor of spirituous beverages in this state may furnish, give, rent, loan, or sell to a vendor, and a vendor may accept, alcoholic beverage lists, otherwise referred to as "wine lists," without the same being a violation of s. 561.42(1).

Section 9. Section 565.17, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

565.17 Beverage tastings by distributors and vendors.—A licensed distributor of spirituous beverages, or any vendor, is authorized to conduct spirituous beverage tastings upon any licensed premises authorized to sell spirituous beverages by package or for consumption on premises without being in violation of s. 561.42, provided that the conduct of the spirituous beverage tasting shall be limited to and directed toward the general public of the age of legal consumption.

Section 10. This act shall take effect July 1, 2021.

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