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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Commerce Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to liquor; modifying certain on-sale license provisions; amending Minnesota
1.3 Statutes 2020, section 340A.404, subdivisions 1, 1a, 6.

1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 340A.404, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

1.6 Subdivision 1. **Cities.** (a) A city may issue an on-sale intoxicating liquor license to the
1.7 following establishments located within its jurisdiction:

1.8 (1) hotels;

1.9 (2) restaurants;

1.10 (3) bowling centers;

1.11 (4) clubs or congressionally chartered veterans organizations with the approval of the
1.12 commissioner, provided that the organization has been in existence for at least three years
1.13 and liquor sales will only be to members and bona fide guests, except that a club may permit
1.14 the general public to participate in a wine tasting conducted at the club under section
1.15 340A.419;

1.16 (5) sports facilities, restaurants, clubs, or bars located on land owned or leased by the
1.17 Minnesota Sports Facilities Authority;

1.18 (6) sports facilities located on land owned by the Metropolitan Sports Commission; ~~and~~

1.19 (7) exclusive liquor stores; and

1.20 (8) resorts as defined in section 157.15.

2.1 (b) A city may issue an on-sale intoxicating liquor license, an on-sale wine license, or
 2.2 an on-sale malt liquor license to a theater within the city, notwithstanding any law, local
 2.3 ordinance, or charter provision. A license issued under this paragraph authorizes sales on
 2.4 all days of the week to persons attending events at the theater.

2.5 (c) A city may issue an on-sale intoxicating liquor license, an on-sale wine license, or
 2.6 an on-sale malt liquor license to a convention center within the city, notwithstanding any
 2.7 law, local ordinance, or charter provision. A license issued under this paragraph authorizes
 2.8 sales on all days of the week to persons attending events at the convention center. This
 2.9 paragraph does not apply to convention centers located in the seven-county metropolitan
 2.10 area.

2.11 (d) A city may issue an on-sale wine license and an on-sale malt liquor license to a
 2.12 person who is the owner of a summer collegiate league baseball team, or to a person holding
 2.13 a concessions or management contract with the owner, for beverage sales at a ballpark or
 2.14 stadium located within the city for the purposes of summer collegiate league baseball games
 2.15 and any other events at the ballpark or stadium, notwithstanding any law, local ordinance,
 2.16 or charter provision. A license issued under this paragraph authorizes sales on all days of
 2.17 the week to persons attending baseball games and any other events at the ballpark or stadium.

2.18 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 340A.404, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

2.19 Subd. 1a. **Cities Municipalities; auto racing facilities.** A city municipality may issue
 2.20 an on-sale intoxicating liquor license to an auto racing facility located in the city municipality.
 2.21 The license may authorize sales both to persons attending any and all events at the facility,
 2.22 and sales in a restaurant, bar, or banquet facility located on the premises of the auto racing
 2.23 facility. The license authorizes sales on all days of the week. The license may be issued for
 2.24 a space that is not compact and contiguous, provided that the licensed premises may include
 2.25 only the space within a defined area as described in the application for the license.

2.26 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 340A.404, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

2.27 Subd. 6. **Counties.** (a) A county board may issue an annual on-sale intoxicating liquor
 2.28 license within the area of the county that is unorganized or unincorporated to a bowling
 2.29 center, restaurant, club, ~~or~~ hotel, or resort as defined in section 157.15, with the approval
 2.30 of the commissioner.

2.31 (b) A county board may also with the approval of the commissioner issue up to ten
 2.32 seasonal on-sale licenses to restaurants and clubs for the sale of intoxicating liquor within
 2.33 the area of the county that is unorganized or unincorporated. Notwithstanding section

- 3.1 340A.412, subdivision 8, a seasonal license is valid for a period specified by the board, not
- 3.2 to exceed nine months. Not more than one license may be issued for any one premises
- 3.3 during any consecutive 12-month period.