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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2010

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RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES - TRANSPORTATION OF BEVERAGES

Introduced By: Representatives Guthrie, Fierro, and Gablinske

Date Introduced: February 03, 2010

Referred To: House Corporations

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 3-4-8 of the General Laws in Chapter 3-4 entitled "Transportation  
2 of Beverages" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **3-4-8. Unlawful sale and shipment.** -- (a) It shall be unlawful for any person in the  
4 business of selling intoxicating beverages in another state or country to ship or cause to be  
5 shipped any intoxicating beverage directly to any Rhode Island resident who does not hold a valid  
6 wholesaler license issued by the State of Rhode Island. The foregoing shall not apply to any order  
7 for intoxicating beverages personally placed by the purchaser at the manufacturer's premises, for  
8 shipment to an address in Rhode Island for nonbusiness ~~purpose.~~ purposes, nor to the shipment of  
9 intoxicating beverages to any Rhode Island resident who belongs to groups which are commonly  
10 known as "beer or wine of the month clubs". Any shipment of intoxicating beverages pursuant to  
11 this section shall contain the language: "Contains Alcohol, Adult Signature (over 21) Required  
12 for Delivery."

13 (b) Any person who violates subsection (a) of this section shall, for the first offense, be  
14 mailed a certified letter by the department ordering that person to cease and desist any shipment  
15 of intoxicating beverages to Rhode Island residents and for each subsequent offense shall be fined  
16 one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500).

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1 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION  
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- 1           This act would allow for the sale and shipment of intoxicating beverages to a Rhode  
2 Island resident who does not hold a valid wholesaler license provided that the recipient belongs to  
3 groups which are known as “Beer or Wine of the Month Clubs”.

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