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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 1800

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

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to liquor; permitting brewer taprooms to offer limited sale of collaboration
1.3 malt liquor; amending Minnesota Statutes 2018, sections 340A.101, by adding a
1.4 subdivision; 340A.26, subdivision 1.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 340A.101, is amended by adding a subdivision
1.7 to read:

1.8 Subd. 5a. Collaboration. "Collaboration" means malt liquor produced by two or more
1.9 brewers or brew pubs that have jointly engaged in the process of crafting, brewing,
1.10 promoting, or marketing the product. Malt liquor is still considered to be a collaboration
1.11 even if the commercial production of the malt liquor occurs on a single licensed premises.

1.12 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 340A.26, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

1.13 Subdivision 1. Brewer taproom license. (a) A municipality, including a city with a
1.14 municipal liquor store, may issue the holder of a brewer's license under section 340A.301,
1.15 subdivision 6, clause (c), (i), or (j), a brewer taproom license. A brewer taproom license
1.16 authorizes on-sale of malt liquor produced by the brewer for consumption on the premises
1.17 of or adjacent to one brewery location owned by the brewer. In addition to malt liquor
1.18 produced by the brewer, the holder of a brewer taproom license may also sell collaboration
1.19 malt liquor so long as malt liquor produced by the brewer utilizes a minimum of 80 percent
1.20 of all draft lines. Nothing in this subdivision precludes the holder of a brewer taproom
1.21 license from also holding a license to operate a restaurant at the brewery. Section 340A.409
1.22 shall apply to a license issued under this subdivision. All provisions of this chapter that

- 2.1 apply to a retail liquor license shall apply to a license issued under this subdivision unless
- 2.2 the provision is explicitly inconsistent with this subdivision.
- 2.3 (b) A brewer may only have one taproom license under this subdivision, and may not
- 2.4 have an ownership interest in a brew pub.