

340A.419 WINE TASTINGS CONDUCTED BY EXCLUSIVE LIQUOR STORE.

Subdivision 1. **Definition.** For purposes of this section, a "wine tasting" is an event of not more than four hours' duration at which persons pay a fee to participate and are allowed to consume wine by the glass without paying a separate charge for each glass.

Subd. 2. **Tastings.** (a) Notwithstanding any other law, an exclusive liquor store may conduct a wine tasting on the premises of a holder of an on-sale intoxicating liquor license that is not a temporary license if the exclusive liquor store complies with this section.

(b) No wine at a wine tasting under this section may be sold for off-premises consumption. A participant in the tasting may fill out a form indicating preferences for wine. The form may be held on the premises of the exclusive liquor store to assist the participant in making an off-sale purchase at a later date.

(c) Notwithstanding any other law, an exclusive liquor store may purchase or otherwise obtain wine for a wine tasting conducted under this section from a wholesaler licensed to sell wine. The wholesaler may sell or give wine to an exclusive liquor store for a wine tasting conducted under this section and may provide personnel to assist in the wine tasting.

(d) An exclusive liquor store that conducts a wine tasting under this section must use any fees collected from participants in the tasting only to defray the cost of conducting the tasting.

History: 2000 c 440 s 5