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CONTESTS AND TOURNAMENTS IN BARS

House Bill 5946

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5946 AS INTRODUCED 6-17-98

Liquor Control Commission rules (Michigan Administrative Code, R 436.1435) prohibit an on-premise liquor licensee from allowing contests in which the licensee or any other person gives away anything of value in excess of \$50 (except by written order of the commission), and prohibit a licensee from accepting or retaining anything of value in exchange for sponsoring or promoting a contest or tournament. It is also prohibited to allow a contest or tournament in which the sale, use, or consumption of alcohol is a necessary part, or in which alcohol is given as a prize. Further, except as permitted by this rule or a commission order, a licensee cannot allow promotions on the premises without “adequate and appropriate consideration”, and cannot accept or retain anything of value from a person in exchange for sponsoring a promotion. House Bill 5946 would place this language in the Michigan Liquor Control Code of 1998 and would raise the prize limit for contests from \$50 to \$500.

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