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Senate Bill 1349 (as introduced 9-20-00)
Sponsor: Senator Thaddeus G. McCotter
Committee: Economic Development, International Trade and Regulatory Affairs

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CONTENT

The bill would amend the Michigan Liquor Control Code to extend through 2005 the Liquor Control Commission's authority to issue additional specially designated distributor (SDD) licenses. Currently, in governmental units having a population of 50,000 or less, in which the quota of SDD licenses has been exhausted, the Commission may issue up to a total of 10 additional SDD licenses per year for the years 1999 and 2000 to established merchants whose business and operation are designed to attract and accommodate tourists and visitors to the resort area. The bill would extend this to the years 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, and 2005.

(A "specially designated distributor" is a person engaged in an established business licensed by the Commission to distribute packaged liquor for off-premises consumption.)

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Legislative Analyst: S. Lowe

FISCAL IMPACT

By extending the sunset through 2005, the bill would allow the Commission to issue 10 additional specially designated distributor licenses each year. These additional licenses would generate fee revenue, as an SDD is charged a base fee of \$150 and then \$3 for every \$1,000 of purchases over \$25,000.

Local governments receive 55% of liquor license fee revenue.

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