THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL No. 928 Session of 2023

INTRODUCED BY BOSCOLA, FONTANA, STEFANO, COSTA AND KEARNEY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2023

REFERRED TO LAW AND JUSTICE, SEPTEMBER 14, 2023

AN ACT

Amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), entitled "An 1 act relating to alcoholic liquors, alcohol and malt and 2 brewed beverages; amending, revising, consolidating and 3 changing the laws relating thereto; regulating and 4 restricting the manufacture, purchase, sale, possession, 5 consumption, importation, transportation, furnishing, holding 6 in bond, holding in storage, traffic in and use of alcoholic liquors, alcohol and malt and brewed beverages and the 7 8 persons engaged or employed therein; defining the powers and 9 10 duties of the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board; providing for the establishment and operation of State liquor stores, 11 for the payment of certain license fees to the respective 12 municipalities and townships, for the abatement of certain 13 nuisances and, in certain cases, for search and seizure 14 without warrant; prescribing penalties and forfeitures; 15 providing for local option, and repealing existing laws," in 16 Pennsylvania Liquor Stores, further providing for sales by 17 Pennsylvania Liquor Stores. 18 19 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

20 hereby enacts as follows:

21 Section 1. Section 305(b) and (b.1) of the act of April 12,

22 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, are amended to

23 read:

24 Section 305. Sales by Pennsylvania Liquor Stores.--* * * 25 (b) Every Pennsylvania Liquor Store shall sell liquors at 26 wholesale to hotels, restaurants, clubs, and railroad, pullman

and steamship companies licensed under this act; and, under the 1 2 regulations of the board, to pharmacists duly licensed and 3 registered under the laws of the Commonwealth, and to manufacturing pharmacists, and to reputable hospitals approved 4 by the board, or chemists. Sales to licensees shall be made at a 5 price that includes a discount of ten per centum from the retail 6 price; except that special order sales to licensees authorized 7 in subsection (a) shall not be subject to the ten per centum 8 9 discount. The board may sell to registered pharmacists only such 10 liquors as conform to the Pharmacopoeia of the United States, 11 the National Formulary, or the American Homeopathic 12 Pharmacopoeia. The board may sell at special prices under the 13 regulations of the board, to United States Armed Forces 14 facilities which are located on United States Armed Forces 15 installations and are conducted pursuant to the authority and 16 regulations of the United States Armed Forces. All other sales by such stores shall be at retail, except that incentives, such 17 18 as coupons or discounts on certain products, may be offered to 19 unlicensed customers of the board as provided under sections 20 207(m) and 493(24)(ii)(B). A person entitled to purchase liquor at wholesale prices may purchase the liquor at any Pennsylvania 21 Liquor Store upon tendering cash, check or credit card or, in 22 23 accordance with regulations of the board, upon payment within 24 thirty days of the date of sale, for the full amount of the 25 purchase. For this purpose, the board shall issue a discount 26 card to each licensee identifying such licensee as a person 27 authorized to purchase liquor at wholesale prices. Such discount 28 card shall be retained by the licensee. The board may contract 29 through the Commonwealth bidding process for delivery to 30 wholesale licensees at the expense of the licensee receiving the

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1 delivery.

2 (b.1) The board may contract with a licensed transporter for hire through the Commonwealth bidding process for delivery to 3 retail licensees and permit holders at the expense of the 4 licensee or permit holder receiving delivery. Payment shall be 5 by credit card or electronic fund transfer [only] and may occur 6 no later than the time of delivery[.] or, in accordance with 7 regulations of the board, within thirty days of the date of 8 9 <u>delivery.</u>

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- 11 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.