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Senate Bill 330

BY SENATORS KARNES AND STOLLINGS

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to the Committee on the Judiciary]

- A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,
 designated §60-8-36, relating to allowing grocery stores to sell a certain amount of West
- 3 Virginia-made wine without having a license to sell wine or liquor.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 8. SALE OF WINES.

§60-8-36. Sales of West Virginia-made wine exempted from license requirements.

1 (a) A grocery store may annually sell up to 1,000 gallons of West Virginia-made wine for

2 consumption off its premises without possessing a license that would otherwise be required under

- 3 another provision of this chapter, if its total wine sales do not exceed 10 percent of its gross sales,
- 4 <u>annually.</u>
- 5 (b) For purposes of this section "West Virginia-made wine" means wine and nonfortified
- 6 dessert wine that are manufactured exclusively in West Virginia by natural fermentation from
- 7 grapes, other fruits or honey or other agricultural products containing sugar with no more than 25
- 8 percent of the products originating from a source outside of West Virginia.
- 9 (c) The commissioner shall propose rules for legislative approval in accordance with the
- 10 provisions of §29A-3-1 et seq. of this code for implementing and enforcing this section.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to allowing grocery stores to sell a certain amount of West Virginia-made wine without having a license to sell wine or liquor.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.