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Via E-Mail (HouseCorporations@rilegislature.gov)

House Committee on Corporations
State House
Providence, RI 02903
Attention: Honorable Joseph J. Solomon, Jr.

**Re: Written Testimony in Opposition to House Bill No. 5603 – An Act Relating to
Alcoholic Beverages – Retail Licenses**

Dear Chairman Solomon:

I am writing on behalf of McLaughlin and Moran to express its continued opposition to H 5603. Passing H 5603 would continue to erode the industry's three-tier system and effectively place retailers at risk by allowing Class P license holders to circumvent retailers to purchase alcohol from wholesalers and manufacturers. Moreover, there would be a significant loss in jobs that are held by Teamsters Union members who deliver product for distributors to Rhode Island retailers.

In short, passing these bills would cause significant harm to McLaughlin and Moran's business operations and jeopardize jobs critical to Teamster drivers. As always, McLaughlin and Moran appreciates your consideration of its input and perspective.

Very truly yours,



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