

March 23, 2022

The Honorable Carol Hagan McEntee  
Chair, House Small Business Committee  
State House  
Providence, RI 02903

**Re: H 7727 – SUPPORT - An Act Relating to Alcoholic Beverages - Manufacturing and Wholesale License**

Dear Chair McEntee,

On behalf of our client, the Rhode Island Brewers Guild, we are writing in strong support of H-7727 and urge the committee to pass the bill this session. We also request a minor amendment.

H-7727 will permit breweries in Rhode Island to serve up to three pint glasses of 16 oz. beer. Currently, state law only permits three beers at 12 oz. each. Many craft breweries manufacture and sell 16 oz. beers and this minor amendment will accommodate this trend amongst breweries. ***In addition, we would request a sub-A to fix a minor error. The quantity 36 oz. on page 1, line 12, ought to be updated to 48 oz. to reflect the fact that 16 oz. multiplied by 3 beers would total 48 oz.***

The Rhode Island Brewers Guild is the official brewery association in Rhode Island, existing to support and promote Rhode Island Craft Breweries. The RI Brewers Guild was established in 2013 with five founding breweries and brewpubs and, as of 2022, they are proud to announce more than 38 participating Rhode Island Breweries! The growth of this important industry is due, in no small part, to the assistance of the General Assembly in modernizing laws such as this one.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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