

Weekly Advocacy Update February 18th, 2026

VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS

New Legislation: LD 2160 - An Act To Modify Provisions Of Law Affecting Small Distilleries

Sponsor: Valli GEIGER of Rockland

Summary: This bill does the following:

1. It prohibits the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages and Lottery Operations or the holder of a state contract for wholesale spirits activities and marketing from charging a small distillery a spirits administration services fee or a spirits trade marketing services fee on any sale of spirits.
2. It prohibits the bureau or any other entity of the State from requiring that a small distillery be inspected more frequently than every 3 years.
3. It prohibits the bureau or wholesale spirits provider from requiring a small distillery to report more frequently than on a quarterly basis.
4. It allows a person licensed to sell spirits for on-premises consumption to purchase spirits from a small distillery licensed in the State and allows the holder of a small distillery license to sell or deliver its products to licensed retailers or wholesalers.
5. It allows a small distillery to sell beer, wine and spirits manufactured by small breweries, small wineries or small distilleries licensed in the State without a license for sales for on-premises consumption.
6. It extends the licensing period for a small distillery from one year to 3 years.
7. It allows a small distillery to sell, furnish or deliver spirits manufactured by the small distillery to a person outside of the State by mail order

LD 2155 - An Act To Clarify Certain Laws Governing Licenses For The Sale Of Liquor By Manufacturers

Upcoming Work Sessions

Fri 2/20 12:00 PM @ State House, Room 437