

Rehoboth Beach-Dewey Beach Chamber of Commerce

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FROM CHAMBER LEGISLATIVE REP. MARK LALLY

HS 1 for HB 60 - AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 4 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL LICENSES AND TAXES, AND DIRECT PURCHASING AND SHIPMENT OF WINE. This bill would permit wine producers holding a valid license in this State or another state to obtain a license and ship wine directly to Delaware consumers so long as it is done through a common carrier with a "Carrier Permit". The bill requires the payment of taxes and obtaining the signature of a person 21 years of age or

a "Carrier Permit". The bill requires the payment of taxes and obtaining the signature of a person 21 years of age or older before delivery of the wine. There have been 3 amendments that have been placed with the Bill, they all have yet to be voted on. The Bill remains on the House Ready List.

Amendment #1-SYNOPSIS This amendment removes a reference to beer which is not part of the bill. Further, the report related to deliveries, names, and addresses, is exempted from Freedom of Information Act disclosure requirements.

Amendment #2-SYNOPSIS

This Amendment makes a technical correction to the enactment clause making it 2/3.

Amendment #3-SYNOPSIS

This Amendment modifies the biennial fee that a wine direct shipper would pay. If they ship less than 201 cases annually to Delaware residents they would pay \$100 biennially and those that ship more than 200 cases annually would pay a biennial license fee of \$1,000. Wineries that ship less than 201 cases to a wholesaler pay a biennial license fee of \$100 and those who ship more than 200 cases annually pay a biennial fee of \$1,000. This amendment makes the wineries that utilize the Direct Shipper License pay the same as wineries that utilize the normal three tier system.

APRIL BUSINESS AFTER HOURS/MEMBER SHOWCASE

The annual Member Showcase held in conjunction with Business After Hours is scheduled from 5 to 7 PM on Thursday, April 3, 2014 at the Hyatt Place Dewey Beach. Door prizes from participating businesses will be awarded throughout the evening. The menu will include Shrimp Cocktail, Sesame Chicken w/ Thai Sauce, Seared Salt Block Scallops w/ Fruit Salsa, Braised Short Rib in Crispy Cup, Carolina Pork Slider w/Slaw and more! Want to showcase your business? Only 3 spots remaining! Join fellow members including Clear Channel Media & Entertainment, Delaware Beach Life, Delaware Hospice, Delmarva Voip, Dinner Is Served Personal Chef Service, Discovery Map, Dr. Energy Saver, Harbor Linen, Homestead Campground, Hyatt Place Dewey Beach, Juice Plus, Kaya Wellness & Yoga, Made Ya Look! Salon & Spa, Midway Chiropractic, Ocean 98, Peninsula Pave & Seal, Progressive Specialty, ShoreEasy.com, Sussex Eye Center, WSFS. The cost per table top is \$65.00. Contact Kate at 302-227-2233x11 or events@beach-fun.com to reserve or for more information.

APRIL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING - SPEAKER CHANGE - SENATOR COONS

The Chamber has scheduled a joint General Membership and Green Forcer Meeting for Tuesday, **April 22**, 2014 in celebration of Earth Day. Due to Senator Carper's schedule change, the guest speaker will be U.S. Senator Chris Coons. Following remarks by Senator Coons, the Chamber's Young Professionals Group will present the Clean the World initiative. Clean the World is a non-profit organization that partners with hospitality businesses to collect, recycle and distribute lightly used soap, shampoo, and other hygiene products to communities worldwide including homeless shelters in the United States. For more information or to get involved in the Clean the World program check out cleantheworld.org or call Clay Sherman at 302-236-7326. The luncheon will begin at noon at Kings Creek Country Club in Rehoboth Beach. The cost is \$16 per person; the buffet will include chicken parmesan, sweet Italian sausage with peppers & onions, penne pasta with tomato basil sauce, Caesar salad, and a dessert assortment. Seating at the meeting is limited, so reserve your spot now by contacting Joy at 302-227-6446 or joy@beach-fun.com.