

Colorado Liquor Enforcement Division Liquor Rules Working Group (LRWG)

Meeting of July 13, 2016
9:00a – 12:00p

Colorado Restaurant Association
430 E. 7th Street
Denver, CO

Working Group Members Present:

Patrick Maroney, Co-Chair Liquor Enforcement
Ron Kammerzell, Co-Chair Enforcement
Barbara Brohl..... Executive Director
Donia Amick Chief of Investigations
Lynda Atkins Attorney General Office
Kevin Bommer City Government
Christopher Mallory..... County Government
Mike Mosco..... Law Enforcement Representative
Cory Tipton (*for John Tipton*)..... Liquor Attorney
Adam Stapen Liquor Attorney
Jenn Penn..... Brewery (Large)
Garin Vorthmann Brewery (Large)
Laura Long..... Brewery (Small)
Andrew Lemley Brewery (Small)
Jason Bassett Convenience Store
Joan Green Turner Distillery (National View)
Mitch Abate..... Distillery (State View)
Phil Hayes..... Grocery Store
Joshua Phair Grocery Store
Pete Meersman Member At Large
Jim Shpall Off Premises (Independent)
Frank Schultz (*for Mark Berzins*) On Premises (Restaurants)
Sonia Riggs On Premises (Restaurants)
Stephanie Fransen On Premises (Tavern)
Mickey Petrollini..... On Premises (Tavern)
Micki Hackenberger (*via phone*)..... Wholesaler
Steve Findley Wholesaler
Tyler Rudd Winery (National)
Doug Caskey Winery (State)

Welcome & Introductions

Mr. Maroney opened the meeting and began by thanking the working group members for their time and the public for their attendance. Each working group member and the public introduced themselves. Mr. Maroney stated that only working group members are allowed to participate in this discussion and that public comment will be allowed at the end of the meeting.

Housekeeping Items

Questions about how SB16-197 will be implemented. We will begin an elaborate training across the state in August. If you have more questions concerning SB16-197, please visit our website.

Sub-Groups

Be sure to sign up for sub-groups. The link has been mailed out and can be found on our website.

Powdered Alcohol (Sub-Group) | Nick Hoover reported that they have already had two meetings. The first they discussed what is legal to do and what are they willing to do with regard to enforcement of powdered alcohol. They took a look at Marijuana's rules and were able to walk away with child safety packaging and restricting advertising aimed at children. They will be reaching out to other states that have approved PA for sale to see what their requirements are. A draft set of proposed rules should come out this next week.

Trade Practices (Sub-Group) | Ron Kammerzell reported that they are visiting Display Items, Hand Sales, Sampling, Cumulative Discounts and the Control of: Cooler Rentals, Advertising Fees, Labor Provided by Wholesalers and Warehousing.

The next two meetings are set: July 20th at 1PM to 3PM (TBD) & August 4th at 9:00AM to 11AM (TBD).

SB16-197 (Sub-Group) | Patrick Maroney reported that they went through the new law line by line. He wants to know everyone's thought regarding LLDS requirements to be open to the public. Do places like Costco & Sam's Club meet the requirement of the law?

July 1st non-alcohol products were no longer restricted in RLS if they make up less than 20% annual income. We will be looking at this 20% in July 2017.

Prior to legislation, 18-20 year olds could work in Taverns and could stock in RLS. The new law does not allow for anyone under 21 to handle liquor. We will be issuing warnings and AVC's initially.

The Sub-Group meeting follows this meeting today at 1PM.

Rule Review (Sub-Group) | Donia Amick reported that they will be reviewing 47-600 through 47-904. Will need to come up with rules for Lodging & Entertainment Licenses (New License Type). Liquor employees also came up with suggestions to clean up current rules that will be reviewed by the sub-group.

Everyone please review 47-600 through 47-904 and make any suggestions to Donia Amick.

Director Maroney opened the discussion to items not on the agenda and for public comment. No comments.

Public Comments

Lenora Moore from City of Lakewood requested LED educate Barber Shops & Spas about the service of alcohol in their establishments. Joan Green-Turner suggested we contact DORA and have them issue a notice to them since they license these businesses.

Permanent Rule Hearing – July 15th

This rule hearing is to increase licensing fees back to what they were before January 2015. They were decreased to meet the statutory requirements for Liquor cash reserves.

Second is to reduce the fees for product registration to \$0.00 and require Manufacturers and Importers use the Ship Pro On-Line registration system. This way it will allow us to go paperless and be industry cost friendly. Question as to why we charge anything at all as (Kentucky) absorbs the cost. Isn't paying excise taxes enough? We will look into Colorado Appropriate funding to see what are the differences and/or requirements.

2016 CABS is set for August 2nd & 3rd. Be sure to get signed up, it promises to be a good one this year.

Working Groups

Does the concept of the Working Group still work for everyone? Would like to see sub-groups clustered together to save on time and travel. Perhaps get the agendas out earlier to allow time for feedback from their constituents.

Kudos Liquor licensing staff was able to get all (40) Retail Liquor License Store applications (that were submitted to LED prior to 7/1/16) licensed.

LRWG Meeting Dates:

- August 11th at 1:00PM (TBD) SIDE NOTE: CRA requested we change this date. Will do a Doodle to Working Group to get Consensus of next meeting date.
- September 8th at 1:00pm (Location - TBD)
- September 21st at 1:00pm (1881 Pierce – Room 110)

The meeting was adjourned 10:20AM.