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LED Fee Changes Notice to Liquor Licensing Clerks and Stakeholders

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Dear Liquor Licensing Clerks and Stakeholders,

The Division would like to share an important update regarding fee adjustments that will become effective on January 1, 2022.

On January 1, 2022, the Liquor and Tobacco Enforcement Division (Division) will be reducing application fees for new liquor licenses, transferred liquor licenses, and additional liquor licensed drug store retail liquor licenses from \$1,550 to \$1,100. Once implemented, this change will be reflected on the necessary Division forms and fee schedules. Only applications received by the Division on or after January 1, 2022, will receive the reduced application fee amount. If you are a liquor licensing authority and have already collected a state fee for the application, please submit it as you normally would. A refund will be generated by the Division for any qualifying application and mailed directly to the applicant.

In addition to the reduction in application fees detailed above, several legislatively driven fees will be instituted simultaneously with the reduction on January 1, 2022. Pursuant to SB 20-086, applications for liquor license renewals will be subject to a fee of \$50.00. Only renewal applications received by the Division on or after January 1, 2022, will be charged this fee for a renewal application. If you are a liquor licensing authority and have already collected fees for a renewal application that the Division will receive after January 1, 2022, please submit the payment as you normally would. The Division will notify licensees directly of the newly implemented fee and give them instructions on how to complete the payment. Your assistance with messaging this change to licensees is greatly appreciated and will reduce the processing time of renewal applications. Going forward from January 1, 2022, renewal notices will be updated to reflect the correct fees due.

Pursuant to HB 21-1027, the Division created the Takeout And Delivery Permit application, DR 8496. While the permit has been available to on-premises licensees since earlier this year, as of January 1, 2022, a fee for processing the initial permit application and renewal will be implemented. The fee for both initial permitting and renewal will be \$11.00.

Pursuant to HB 21-1044, the Division has created permit application DR 8411 to allow Limited Wineries and Wineries the ability to include up to two additional non-contiguous manufacturing locations in their licensed premises, as long as the additional locations are within a ten-mile radius of their "primary" location. The fee for initial permitting will be \$125.00, and the fee to renew the permit will be \$100.00.

Please email dor_liglicensing@state.co.us with any questions regarding this notice.

Thank You,

Colorado Liquor Enforcement Division