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IN THE SENATE

SENATE BILL NO. 1134

BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

AN ACT

- RELATING TO LIQUOR; AMENDING CHAPTER 9, TITLE 23, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION
 OF A NEW SECTION 23-903d, IDAHO CODE, TO ESTABLISH PROVISIONS REGARD ING LICENSES ISSUED TO ESTABLISHED CATERERS; AMENDING SECTION 23-904,
 IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR FEES FOR AN ESTABLISHED CATERER LIQUOR LI CENSE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
- 7 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

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8 SECTION 1. That Chapter 9, Title 23, Idaho Code, be, and the same is
 9 hereby amended by the addition thereto of a <u>NEW SECTION</u>, to be known and des 10 ignated as Section 23-903d, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

23-903d. LICENSES ISSUED TO ESTABLISHED CATERERS. (1) Upon registra-11 tion with the director of the Idaho state police as an established caterer 12 13 and upon application to the director for an established caterer liquor license and notwithstanding the population limitations set forth in section 14 23-903(1), Idaho Code, nothing in this chapter shall prohibit the issuance 15 of an established caterer liquor license to the owner, operator, or lessee of 16 an established caterer for use at events catered by the established caterer, 17 subject to the provisions of this section. "Established caterer" means a 18 catering business that has been in operation for no less than five (5) years 19 and has catered and will continue to cater no fewer than twenty-five (25) 20 21 events per year.

(2) An established caterer liquor license shall be for onetime use only
 at an event catered by the established caterer. There shall be no limitation
 on the number of established caterer liquor licenses that an established
 caterer may apply for.

(3) (a) An established caterer selling liquor pursuant to an established caterer liquor license shall abide by the following:

- (i) Liquor shall be dispensed and prepared for consumption by the
 established caterer licensed pursuant to this section only in ar eas approved by the local licensing authority; and
- (ii) All liquor sales shall cease at the time food services cease.
 The local licensing authority may impose additional date and time restrictions on liquor sales.
- 34 (b) No established caterer licensed pursuant to this section shall pro 35 mote or operate the catering event as a bar and lounge.

(4) Established caterer liquor licenses shall not count toward the lim itation on the number of licenses issued according to population, as pro vided in section 23-903(1), Idaho Code.

39 (5) An established caterer liquor license may not be sold or leased and40 shall not be transferable to any other caterer.

(6) The fees for licenses granted pursuant to this section shall be asset forth in section 23-904(11), Idaho Code.

1 SECTION 2. That Section 23-904, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby 2 amended to read as follows:

23-904. LICENSE FEES. Each licensee licensed under the provisions of
this act shall pay an annual license fee to the director as follows:

5 (1) For each license in a city of one thousand (1,000) population or
6 less, three hundred dollars (\$300) per annum.

7 (2) For each license in a city of from one thousand (1,000) to three
8 thousand (3,000) population, five hundred dollars (\$500) per annum.

9 (3) For each license in a city having a population of more than three
10 thousand (3,000), seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750) per annum.

(4) For each railroad train for sale only in buffet, club or dining cars, fifty dollars (\$50.00) per annum of the scheduled run of such train within the state of Idaho; provided, that such license shall be in full, and in lieu of all other licenses herein provided for.

(5) For each common carrier boat line for sale only in buffet, club dining rooms, two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) per annum. Such license shall be
in full, and in lieu of all other licenses herein provided for.

(6) For each license issued to the owner, operator, or lessee of a golf
 course as described in section 23-903, Idaho Code, or to the lessee of any
 premises situate on such golf course, situate in any county having a popula tion of:

(a) Less than twenty thousand (20,000), two hundred dollars (\$200) per annum;

(b) Twenty thousand (20,000) but less than forty thousand (40,000),
 three hundred dollars (\$300) per annum; and

(c) Forty thousand (40,000) or more, four hundred dollars (\$400) per
 annum.

(7) For each common carrier airline for sale only in common carrier air craft, two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) per annum. Such license shall be in
 full, and in lieu of all other licenses herein provided for.

(8) For each license issued to the owner, operator, or lessee of a
restaurant operated on an airport, as described in section 23-903, Idaho
Code, situate within the corporate limits of a city, the fee shall be the same
as provided in paragraphs (1) through (3), inclusive, of this section.

(9) For each license issued to the owner, operator, or lessee of a restaurant operated on an airport, as described in section 23-903, Idaho Code, situate without the corporate limits of a city, the fee shall be the same as provided in paragraph (6) of this section. Licenses issued under and pursuant to the provisions of this act shall expire at 1:00 o'clock a.m. on the first day of January of the following year.

(10) For each license issued to an owner or operator of a year-round 41 resort as described in section 23-957, Idaho Code, a one (1) time fee of 42 43 twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000), with a subsequent renewal fee of three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,500) per annum. For each license 44 issued to an owner or operator of a beverage, lodging or dining facility 45 within the premises of a year-round resort as described in section 23-957, 46 Idaho Code, a one (1) time fee of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) with 47 a subsequent renewal fee of three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,500) per 48 annum. For each license issued to a lessee of a beverage, lodging or dining 49

facility within the premises of the year-round resort as described in section 23-957, Idaho Code, a one (1) time fee of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) with a subsequent renewal fee of three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,500) per annum.

5 (11) For each license issued to the owner, operator, or lessee of an 6 established caterer, as described in section 23-903d, Idaho Code, the fee 7 shall be one hundred fifty dollars (\$150) per annum for registration as an 8 established caterer and fifty dollars (\$50) for each established caterer 9 liquor license granted for a catering event.

Provided that any licensee who operates for only a portion of a year may have his license fee prorated from the date he commences operation to the end of the calendar year, but in no event for less than six (6) months.

In the event a licensee who was previously issued a license on a prorated basis under the provisions hereof desires to have such license renewed for the same period for the next succeeding year, he shall file his intention to so apply for such license with the director, accompanied by the fee required for the issuance of such license on or before December 31 of the year preceding.

19 The license fees herein provided for are exclusive of and in addition to 20 other license fees chargeable in the state of Idaho.

The basis upon which respective populations of municipalities shall be determined is the last preceding census or any subsequent special census conducted by the United States bureau of the census, unless a direct enumeration of the inhabitants thereof be made by the state of Idaho, in which case such later direct enumeration shall constitute such basis.

SECTION 3. An emergency existing therefor, which emergency is hereby
 declared to exist, this act shall be in full force and effect on and after
 July 1, 2025.