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Marin County Board of Supervisors Civic Center San Rafael, CA 94903

SUBJECT: AB 1322 Unlicensed, Unregulated, Free Beer & Wine at Beauty Parlors and Barbershops – *OPPOSE!*

Dear Board Members:

The Advisory Board would like to focus your attention on California Assembly Bill 1322 (Daly) a state bill that would allow all California barbershops and beauty parlors to serve free beer and wine (and surely spirits down the line) to patrons without licenses, permits, monitoring, Responsible Beverage Service training, or enforcement of current regulations.

RECOMMENDATION: The Marin County Advisory Board on Alcohol and Other Drug Programs is recommending that the Board of Supervisors pass a resolution **opposing AB 1322.**

SUMMARY: Assembly Bill 1322 allows beauty salons and barbershops, in good standing with the California Board of Barbering and Cosmetology (CBBC), to serve their clients limited quantities of beer or wine at no extra charge during normal business hours without obtaining a license or permit from the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC).

COMMUNITY PROBLEMS IF AB 1322 BECOMES LAW:

- Alcohol to be served without a license at 42,000+ new venues in California
- Alcohol to be served without ANY requirements for proper training of the barbers and beauticians on how to monitor or responsibly serve
- Alcohol to be purchased by barbershops and beauty salons without any regard for the safeguards of shipping through the established wholesale/retail tier, increasing the potential for altered products, moonshine, and tax evasion
- Alcohol to be poured and consumed in venues which invariably will include minors
- Alcohol to be served without any regard to the density of alcohol licensed outlets or consideration
 of proximity to schools, churches or other vulnerable institutions
- No provisions for monitoring or enforcement of the law or the meaningless restrictions included in the bill
- No proof of the necessity of this law, as no analysis even estimates current serving of drinks at salons or barber shops or demonstrates the need for the nearly complete deregulation of alcohol service at such venues
- Potential liability for drunk driving and aggressive crimes by businesses that serve beer and wine without a license, without training, and without the insurance that would normally be required of a California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) licensed facility.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

Passing AB 1322 will weaken California's already-liberal opportunities for alcohol consumption. Please do all you can to not allow barbershops and beauty parlors to give away free beer and wine to customers. We urge Board Members to pass a resolution opposing California Assembly Bill 1322.

Sincerely,

Mark Dale Board Chair