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Testimony to the House Federal and State Affairs Committee In Support of SB36 February 25, 2013

Chairman Siegfreid and Committee Members,

Our associations are in support of Senate Substitute for SB36 as passed by the Senate. We support the changes the substitute bill made from the base bill. The Substitute Bill includes provisions the Senate passed in response to requests from the Alcohol Beverage Control.

Those changes included limiting the size and number of samples permitted and prohibiting giving away samples on days when a cover charge is required to enter the establishment. Both of these provisions are important to avoid abuse of the availability of sample opportunities. With these provisions the businesses will still be permitted to offer samples, a provision which we consider business friendly and do not oppose.

We encourage the committee to retain the limitations outlined above as they are presented in Senate Substitute for SB36.

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