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Act

on amending section 17 of the Alcohol Act

By decision of Parliament,
section 17, subsection 1 of the Alcohol Act (1102/2017) is *amended* as follows:

Section 17

Retail sale licence for alcoholic beverages and requirements for the granting thereof

The retail sale licence for fermented alcoholic beverages containing up to 8.0 per cent of ethyl alcohol by volume, and alcoholic beverages produced by other methods and not exceeding 5.5 per cent by volume applies to retail sales within one place of sale and the licence is granted to:

(1) an applicant selling a diverse selection of food products for everyday use in a building within the meaning of the Land Use and Building Act (132/1999), if the share of the sales of alcoholic beverages of the total business activities is not considerably larger than the share of the sales of other food products sold;

(2) an applicant operating a business within the meaning of subsection 1 out of a sales truck or boat which runs on a regular route in regions with permanent or seasonal residents and the route is approved by a licensing authority;

(3) an applicant with an alcohol serving licence for the retail sale of the alcoholic beverages served under the serving licence; however, a retail sales licence can only be granted to an applicant with a temporary alcohol serving licence or operating within an area licenced for serving alcohol within the meaning of section 20 for events where several producers of alcoholic beverages present their products to consumers;

(4) an applicant with a production licence for retail sales at the place of production.

This Act enters into force on [day] [month] 20.... .

Retail sales licences issued before the entry into force of this Act pursuant to section 17, subsection 1 apply to alcoholic beverages referred to herein after the entry into force of this Act.

Helsinki [day] [month] 202...

Prime Minister

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