



IDAHO LEGISLATIVE ACTION ALERT

To: All IPM&CSA Members
From: Suzanne Budge, Executive Director
Date: February 28, 2011
Subject: **Legislative Alert - Senate Hearing Monday March 7 / S1125 "Tied House" Repeal**

Legislative Action Alert – S1125 – Please Contact Members of Senate State Affairs Committee
S1125 will be heard in Senate State Affairs Monday March 7 at 8 am. Please contact members of the Senate State Affairs committee IN SUPPORT of S1125 – particularly if you have these Senators in your area. S1125 repeals the requirement for cash payment upon delivery (COD) of beer and wine in Idaho, and is strongly opposed by the wholesalers. I encourage you to attend the hearing as a show of support and testify as to how your business is impacted. Please contact me if you can attend!

PLEASE contact members of the Senate State Affairs Committee to SUPPORT S1125.

Key Points to make:

- Current law requiring cash on delivery of beer and wine is outdated and should be repealed. It is left over from the days of prohibition originally intended to keep organized crime from taking over alcohol distribution by extending outrageous credit terms to retail bars and sales outlets.
- This antiquated law no longer makes sense in today's world. It interferes with routine business transactions and places an unnecessary burden on retailers, particularly small operators, by requiring cash payment at the time of delivery.
- Cash upon delivery is burdensome to retailers large and small by requiring different payment terms and mechanisms for beer and wine as opposed to 1000's of other products, which are delivered by the same wholesalers/suppliers.
- This is simply a cash flow issue that benefits 11 large wholesalers at the expense of thousands of Idaho retailers. Ironically, wholesalers themselves are not required to pay COD from their manufacturers.

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Please copy me on your correspondence! THANKS

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