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For An Act To Be Entitled
AN ACT TO LIMIT ISSUANCE OF PERMITS FOR MICROBREWERY-RESTAURANTS AND SMALL BREWERIES WITH COMMON OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN OTHER ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE PERMITTEES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle
TO LIMIT ISSUANCE OF PERMITS FOR MICROBREWERY-RESTAURANTS AND SMALL BREWERIES WITH COMMON OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN OTHER ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE PERMITTEES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 3-5-1204, concerning licenses for microbrewery-restaurants, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:

(c)(1) After July 31, 2017, the director shall not issue a microbrewery-restaurant license to a person or entity having more than five percent (5%) common ownership with a person or entity holding a license under the Arkansas Small Brewery Act, § 3-5-1401 et. seq., or qualifying as a supplier under § 3-5-1102.

(2) However, the director may issue an additional microbrewery restaurant license after July 31, 2017, to a person or entity holding a microbrewery restaurant license as of July 31, 2017, and having more than five percent (5%) common ownership with a person or entity if the person or
entity holding a license under the Arkansas Small Brewery Act, § 3-5-1401 et seq., or qualifying as a supplier under § 3-5-1102.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 3-5-1405, concerning licenses for small breweries, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:

(d) After July 31, 2017, the director shall not issue a small brewery license to a person or entity having more than five percent (5%) common ownership with a person or entity holding a license under this subchapter or qualifying as a supplier under § 3-5-1102, except as permitted under § 3-5-1204(c).

/s/Rushing