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## Bulletin

### Changes to Return Allowances for Certain Licensees

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**To: All Illinois Retailers, Caterer Retailers, Brew Pubs, Special Use Permit Licensees, Special Event Retailers, and Distributors**

Public Act 100-0885, effective August 14, 2018, amends the Liquor Control Act of 1934, 235 ILCS 5/5-1(e) with regard to the return of unused, salable alcoholic liquors. The new law allows a distributor to offer credit or a refund to a special event retailer. Nothing in the Public Act would prohibit product returns for any licensee that are authorized under 11 Ill. Admin Code 100.245.

**I am an Illinois retailer or brew pub who has obtained a special use permit. Am I allowed to return unused, salable alcoholic liquors for a refund or for credit on my account?**



No. Due to the specific language in this Public Act, this allowance is only available to special event retailer's licensees.

**I was issued an Illinois caterer retailer's license. A recently booked event only used 3 of the 5 kegs that they ordered. Am I allowed to return that product to my distributor for a refund or for credit on my account?**

No. Due to the specific language in this Public Act, this allowance is only available to special event retailer's licensees.

**I am an Illinois special event retailer. Due to inclement weather during our event, we have a lot of unused product. Are we able to return this product?**

Yes. Due to the update in this law, you are allowed to return unused, salable alcoholic liquors to your distributor(s) for a refund or for credit on your account.