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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.