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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to beverage containers, refund values, and
2 redemption amounts of the beverage container control law.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 455C.1, subsection 1, Code 1999, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 1. "Beverage" means wine as defined in section 123.3,
4 subsection 37, alcoholic liquor as defined in section 123.3,
5 subsection 5, beer as defined in section 123.3, subsection 7,
6 mineral water, soda water and similar carbonated soft drinks,
7 wine cooler or drink, tea, potable water, fruit or vegetable
8 juice, and fruit or vegetable drinks in liquid form and
9 intended for human consumption.

10 Sec. 2. Section 455C.2, Code 1999, is amended to read as
11 follows:

12 455C.2 REFUND VALUES.

13 1. A refund value of not less than ~~five~~ ten cents shall be
14 paid by the consumer on each beverage container sold in this
15 state by a dealer for consumption off the premises. Upon
16 return of the empty beverage container upon which a refund
17 value has been paid to the dealer or person operating a
18 redemption center and acceptance of the empty beverage
19 container by the dealer or person operating a redemption
20 center, the dealer or person operating a redemption center
21 shall return the amount of the refund value to the consumer.

22 2. In addition to the refund value provided in subsection
23 1 of this section, a dealer, or person operating a redemption
24 center who redeems empty beverage containers or a dealer agent
25 shall be reimbursed by the distributor required to accept the
26 empty beverage containers an amount which is ~~one-cent~~ two
27 cents per container. A dealer, dealer agent, or person
28 operating a redemption center may compact empty metal beverage
29 containers with the approval of the distributor required to
30 accept the containers.

31 Sec. 3. Section 455C.5, subsection 3, Code 1999, is
32 amended to read as follows:

33 3. The provisions of subsections 1 and 2 of this section
34 do not apply to a refillable glass beverage container which
35 has a brand name permanently marked on it and which has a

1 refund value of not less than ~~five~~ ten cents, to any other
2 refillable beverage container which has a refund value of not
3 less than ~~five~~ ten cents and which is exempted by the director
4 under rules adopted by the commission, or to a beverage
5 container sold aboard a commercial airliner or passenger train
6 for consumption on the premises.

7 EXPLANATION

8 This bill expands the list of beverage containers which are
9 included under the beverage container control laws in Code
10 chapter 455C. The new beverage containers include wine
11 coolers or drinks, tea, potable water, fruit or vegetable
12 juices, and fruit or vegetable drinks.

13 The bill increases the refund value of beverage containers
14 from not less than five cents per container to not less than
15 10 cents per container. The bill also increases the
16 reimbursement amount received by a dealer or person operating
17 a redemption center who redeems empty beverage containers from
18 one cent per container to two cents per container.

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