House Study Bill 540 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE _____

BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE

ON COMMERCE BILL BY

CHAIRPERSON LUNDGREN)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to prohibited conduct of a brewer with regard
- 2 to wholesaler agreements.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

H.F. ____

- 1 Section 1. Section 123A.5, subsection 1, paragraph b, Code 2 2024, is amended to read as follows:
- 3 b. Require a wholesaler to assent to any unreasonable
- 4 requirement, condition, understanding, or term of an agreement
- 5 prohibiting a wholesaler from selling the product of another
- 6 brewer, or prohibiting a wholesaler from utilizing, or
- 7 requiring a wholesaler to utilize, a business-to-business
- 8 electronic commerce platform offered by a brewer.
- 9 EXPLANATION
- The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 12 This bill prohibits a brewer from requiring a wholesaler
- 13 to assent to any unreasonable requirement, condition,
- 14 understanding, or term of an agreement prohibiting the
- 15 wholesaler from utilizing, or requiring the wholesaler to
- 16 utilize, a business-to-business electronic commerce platform
- 17 offered by a brewer. A brewer that violates the provisions
- 18 of the bill is subject to civil action by the aggrieved party
- 19 pursuant to Code section 123A.9.