

ENGROSSED SENATE
JOINT
RESOLUTION NO. 11

By: Cain of the Senate

and

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A Joint Resolution directing the Secretary of State to refer to the people for their approval or rejection a proposed amendment to Sections 3 and 4 of Article XXVIII of the Oklahoma Constitution; providing for distillers and/or rectifiers to sell only spirits which have been produced on the distillery premises; adding an exception; providing ballot title; and directing filing.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
1ST SESSION OF THE 50TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

SECTION 1. The Secretary of State shall refer to the people for their approval or rejection, as and in the manner provided by law, the following proposed amendment to Sections 3 and 4 of Article XXVIII of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 3. The Legislature shall enact laws providing for the strict regulation, control, licensing, and taxation of the manufacture, sale, distribution, possession, and transportation of alcoholic beverages, consistent with the provisions of this Amendment. Provided, that any manufacturer, or subsidiary of any manufacturer who markets his or her product solely through a subsidiary or subsidiaries, a distiller, rectifier, bottler, winemaker, brewer, or importer of alcoholic beverages, bottled or made in a foreign country, either within or without this state, shall be required to sell such brands or kinds of alcoholic beverages to every licensed wholesale distributor who desires to purchase the same, on the same price basis and without discrimination, and shall further be required to sell such beverages

only to those distributors licensed as wholesale distributors. Winemakers either within or without this state shall be required to sell wine they produce to every licensed wholesale distributor who desires to purchase the wine, but winemakers shall not be required to sell the wine they produce only to licensed wholesale distributors. Winemakers may sell wine produced at the winery to consumers on the premises of the winery. Distillers and/or rectifiers may sell spirits produced at the distillery to consumers on the premises of the distillery. Oklahoma winemakers may sell and ship the wine they produce at wineries in this state directly to retail package stores and restaurants in this state. As used in this section, "restaurant" means an establishment that is licensed to sell alcoholic beverages by the individual drink for on-premises consumption and where food is prepared and sold for immediate consumption on the premises. All laws passed by the Legislature under the authority of the Article shall be consistent with this provision.

Section 4. Except as hereinafter provided, retail sales of alcoholic beverages shall be limited to the original sealed package, by privately owned and operated package stores, in cities and towns having a population in excess of two hundred (200) persons or by wineries; provided that wineries shall be able to sell only wine which has been produced on the winery premises; or provided that distillers and/or rectifiers shall be able to sell only spirits which have been produced on the distillery premises. No goods, wares, or merchandise shall be sold and no services shall be rendered on the same premises on which retail package alcoholic beverages are sold. Said premises are herein defined to be the entire space in which retail package alcoholic beverages are sold or displayed and said premises must be separated from any premises on which any other goods, wares, or merchandise are sold or services rendered by walls which may only be broken by a passageway to which

the public is not admitted; provided, the restriction on the sale of merchandise and rendering of services shall not apply to the premises of a winery or to the premises of a distillery.

Not more than one retail package license shall be issued to any person or general or limited partnership.

Retail sale of alcoholic beverages by the individual drink for on-premises consumption is hereby authorized within a county if the voters of such county have previously approved such retail sale at an election.

SECTION 2. The Ballot Title for the proposed Constitutional amendment as set forth in SECTION 1 of this resolution shall be in the following form:

BALLOT TITLE

Legislative Referendum No. _____ State Question No. _____

THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

This measure amends the Oklahoma Constitution. It amends Sections 3 and 4 of Article 28. It would allow distillers and/or rectifiers to sell spirits. It would allow them to sell spirits made at the distillery to people on the premises. It would allow the sale of other items at a distillery. It would allow other services at a distillery.

SHALL THIS AMENDMENT BE APPROVED BY THE PEOPLE?

YES, FOR THE AMENDMENT

NO, AGAINST THE AMENDMENT

SECTION 3. The President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall, immediately after the passage of this resolution, prepare and file one copy thereof, including the Ballot Title set forth in SECTION 2 hereof, with the Secretary of State and one copy with the Attorney General.

Passed the Senate the 1st day of March, 2005.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____,
2005.

Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives