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Rick Swindlehurst,  
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Hello Members,

As the weather warms and the days grow longer, Michigan's hospitality season kicks into high gear. Summer is one of the most important times of year for bars, taverns, and restaurants across our state, especially those that rely on tourism and outdoor service.

If your business has a patio or plans to add one this season, make sure you're checking all the boxes. That includes making sure your outdoor service areas are properly licensed through the MLCC, that staff are trained on how to monitor alcohol consumption in outdoor spaces, and that you're compliant with local noise and occupancy ordinances. Outdoor seating is a huge draw for customers

during the summer months, and with the right setup, it can significantly boost your bottom line.

Tourism also plays a major role in Michigan's economy during the summer. Whether you're located near one of our Great Lakes, a state park, or a downtown festival, chances are you'll be welcoming out-of-town guests — many of whom may be unfamiliar with your policies or house rules. Be clear, be courteous, and be consistent. A positive experience can turn a first-time visitor into a loyal customer who returns year after year.

Finally, don't overlook safety. From checking IDs diligently to preventing over-service and ensuring your team knows how to de-escalate tough situations, summertime can come with a few added challenges. A

proactive approach to staff training and security — especially during high-traffic weekends and events — can make all the difference.

On behalf of the MLBA, thank you for continuing to set the standard for Michigan's hospitality industry. Here's to a safe, successful, and profitable summer season.

As always, please feel free to reach out to me on my personal phone if you have any questions, concerns or ideas. Thank you!

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Earlier this month, members of the Michigan Licensed Beverage Association (MLBA) from all corners of the state gathered in Lansing for our annual Lobby Day. This event continues to be one of the most impactful ways for our industry to connect directly with lawmakers and advocate for the issues that matter most to Michigan's hospitality businesses.

Throughout the day, MLBA members held productive meetings with 35 legislators and their staff, discussing key legislative priorities including redemption games, server training requirements for off-premises licensees, limiting how long past MLCC violations can be used against a licensee, allowing dogs on patios, and enabling alcohol sales to support charitable causes. The conversations were constructive and helped reinforce the importance of our industry's voice at the Capitol.

The day concluded with a well-attended cocktail reception, where even more legislators joined us in a more informal setting to continue the dialogue and strengthen relationships with their constituents in the hospitality industry.

Thank you to everyone who took time out of their busy schedules to attend and make this event a success. Your involvement makes a difference, and your voices are helping shape a better future for bars, restaurants, and hospitality businesses across Michigan.





**Join us for the annual MLBA PAC Golf Outing!**  
 Everyone is welcome to participate.  
 Don't miss this opportunity to interact with fellow licensees  
 while supporting an essential cause!



# 2025 MLBA PAC Golf Outing

**Monday, August 4<sup>th</sup>**

**Wheatfield Valley Golf Course**

1600 Linn Rd.

Williamston, MI 48895

**9:30 a.m. Shotgun Start • 4-person Scramble format**  
 (registration begins at 8:30 a.m.)

## Golfer Options

\$135 per person

\$540 per foursome

### **All golfers receive:**

- Free complimentary breakfast.
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# Support Your Industry on the Course!

## Please Join Us for Our 2025 MLBA PAC Golf Outing

This year's annual MLBA PAC Golf Outing will take place on Monday, August 4, at Wheatfield Valley Golf Club in Williamston, Michigan.

"Our annual golf outing is our largest fundraiser for our political action committee, which allows us to have a greater presence with the legislature," MLBA Executive Director Scott Ellis said.



The outing will kick off with a shotgun start at 9:30 a.m. Registration for the event begins at 8:30 a.m.

The funds raised from the event will go directly toward fighting legislatively for the hospitality industry.

"I wish it wasn't true, but the reality is that politics is a pay to play system so we need as much support as we can get from our members,"

Ellis said. "We also get a ton of support from our sponsors and other industry partners on that day and that's been tremendously helpful for us, too."

So, whether you're a scratch golfer or you only play a couple of times a year, this golf outing will be a fun time for everyone.

"We're also excited to be playing at this venue again," Ellis said. "Wheatfield Valley is a great course and I think the players are really going to enjoy it here."

The format of the outing is a four-person scramble, which means that as long as your team works well together, you'll have a shot at clinching the win.

"We usually have a really great crowd of players who show up to support our PAC each year.

And it's exciting to see new faces, as well," Ellis said. "In the end, it's a fun day filled with golfing, drinking, socializing with other industry professionals and supporting the hospitality industry in Michigan."

Dinner will be served immediately after the outing, so those in attendance can expect a delicious dinner after a fun day of golfing.

**From Wheatfield Valley Golf Club's website:**

"Wheatfield Valley Golf Club lies just outside picturesque Williamston, carved out of woods and fields, the greens are some of the most developed in the area. Wheatfield Valley has plenty of amenities as well; Such as a fully stocked pro shop, an attached Bar & Restaurant, and a full driving range with putting and chipping area.

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# Claims 101: From Occurrence to Resolution

*Courtesy of Illinois Casualty Company*

by Dennis Sekharan, Claims Manager

Illinois Casualty Company (ICC) has been insuring the Food and Beverage Industry for 75 years and recognizes that claims must be handled quickly and carefully to allow the business to resume operations as soon as possible. The claims process is a critical aspect of the insurance industry, ensuring that policyholders receive the support they need when an incident occurs.

## **The Occurrence**

Every claim begins with an event that triggers it, such as an accident, damage, or loss. For our purposes, we call this an occurrence. The date of the occurrence is crucial as it starts the clock ticking from a statute of limitations perspective. The facts surrounding the event will drive all subsequent claim decisions.

## **Reporting the Claim**

The reporting phase involves notifying the insurance company about the occurrence. This can be done by

various parties, including the agent, insured, claimant, or other parties, through different channels such as email, phone, fax, or website. The timing of the report is also important and can be immediate or late, justified or non-justified. Once an incident is reported, the claims team will review the claim immediately and assign it to an adjuster for handling.

## **From Investigation to Resolution**

Upon receipt of the claim, the assigned adjuster begins the investigation phase, which is a thorough process involving a three-pronged attack to evaluate: coverage, liability, and damages. Various tools are used during the investigation, including recorded statements, affidavits, official reports, media searches, and more.

Once the adjuster has developed sufficient information through the investigation, they can begin the process of evaluating the claim. During the evaluation phase, they must determine the following: Is the loss covered? Are damages owed, either by statute or by contract (i.e. the policy)? If so, how much?

The resolution phase involves moving the claim to completion either through settlement, denial or other alternative means (i.e. arbitration, mediation, appraisal, litigation, etc.).

### **Recovery**

Recovery refers to the process by which an insurance company seeks to regain money it has paid on a claim. This could be through reimbursement from a third party that is legally responsible for the loss or damage, a process known as subrogation.

In property insurance, when an insurer pays its policyholder for damage to covered property, the insurer assumes ownership of the damaged property and can then sell it for salvage. Money recovered through subrogation and salvage helps reduce the overall cost of the claim to both the insurer and the policyholder, which best serves the public interest.

The claims process is a complex and multifaceted journey that requires careful attention to detail and collaboration between various parties. By understanding each phase of the process, from occurrence to resolution, insurance professionals can ensure that claims are handled efficiently and effectively, providing the best possible outcome for policyholders.

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# Lottery Commissioner's Corner



## Michigan Lottery's Super Raffle Returns in June with Record-Breaking \$6 Million Prize

The Michigan Lottery is bringing back the Super Raffle game this June, offering players an incredible opportunity to win millions of dollars, including the largest raffle prize in Michigan history: \$6 million!

Set to launch on June 22, this special raffle promises the richest payout of any raffle game ever offered by the Lottery. Adding to the excitement, players will also experience the best odds ever to win the coveted \$6 million top prize.

Beyond the top prize, the Super Raffle offers other great prizes:

- Two prizes of \$1 million
- Twelve prizes of \$100,000
- 3,500 prizes of \$500
- 15,000 prizes of \$100

Tickets for the Super Raffle will be available exclusively

at Lottery retailers across the state for \$50 each. Each Easy Pick play will generate a unique 7-digit raffle number. With only 350,000 tickets available for sale, this is a limited-time opportunity that players won't want to miss.

Once the last raffle number is sold, the game will close, and no further tickets will be available for purchase. The drawing for the Super Raffle is scheduled to take place on or after Sept. 8. Winning numbers will be posted online at [MichiganLottery.com](http://MichiganLottery.com) on the day of the drawing.

All prizes must be claimed within one year of the drawing date. For the top-tier prizes of \$6 million, \$1 million, and \$100,000, winners will need to claim their prize in person at the Lottery headquarters in Lansing. All other prizes can be redeemed at any Lottery retailer.

The Michigan Lottery first introduced Super Raffle in

2007. The last Super Raffle took place in August 2018, and players won more than \$11.8 million in prizes. This year's return promises even greater excitement with its record-setting top prize.

### **Meet Commissioner Shkreli:**

Governor Gretchen Whitmer appointed Suzanna Shkreli Commissioner of the Michigan Lottery on March 1, 2024. Prior to her appointment, Shkreli served as Director of Juvenile Justice Reform at the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS). In that role, Shkreli focused efforts on addressing the systemic and persistent issues with the juvenile justice system and implementation of recommendations made by the Juvenile Justice Task Force. Prior to joining MDHHS, Shkreli served as Michigan's Children's Ombudsman and worked as deputy legal counsel in the Executive Office of the Governor.

Before joining state government, Shkreli served as an assistant prosecuting attorney with the Macomb County Prosecutor's Office. She has conducted training for law enforcement officials throughout Albania on Crime Victims' Rights on behalf of the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Prosecutorial Development and Training. Additionally, Shkreli serves as a member of the Governor's Task Force on Child Abuse and Neglect where she chairs the training subcommittee on child fatality protocol development.

Shkreli is a lifelong Michigander, and graduate of Oakland University and Thomas M. Cooley Law School.



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Michigan Celebrates Small Business is a prestigious annual competition honoring small businesses and their supporters. MCSB offers a platform for Michigan companies to be recognized for their business endeavors and positive impact on the state's economy. The gala launched in 2004 and has become Michigan's premier awards program for small business. There have been over 1,000 companies honored at MCSB over the past 20 years, including 950 second-stage companies recognized by the Michigan 50 Companies to Watch Award.

"Michigan Celebrates Small Business showcases the

amazing entrepreneurial spirit and grit that is taking place in Michigan's small business sector," said J.D. Collins, State Director of the Michigan Small Business Development Center. "These awardees demonstrate impressive dedication and leadership. The Small Business Development Center is proud to name SCHINDY'S AT DIAMOND LAKE as a 2025 Best Small Business awardee."

In 2021 Eric and Diane Schindlbeck were seeking to open up a business after just selling their restaurant they owned during the Covid Shutdowns. After a full year of renovations Schindy's opened as a general store, gas station and only 4 booths to serve diners. With the thought that maybe someone would come here for pizza. Eric and Diane work the store every day, with Eric as The Ambassador and enjoying his time with the guests out front, Diane spent her time in the kitchen creating all the recipes. Shortly after opening they realized what the com-

munity really wanted was a place to gather for camaraderie, good pizza, beer and a full bar of Michigan Distillers. Voted one of West Michigan's Favorite Pizza's in 2024 the Schindy's has grown very quickly and the Schindlbeck's had to add multiple tables, a large outdoor dining area and a new event space called "The Gathering Place" that is opening this spring.

"Our goal was to create an environment where people would smile when they walked in, get good service while they were here and just feel like they were coming home," Co-owner Eric Schindlbeck said. "Because they are. They're coming to our home, as we built our home right onto the store."

While navigating the dynamic and ever-changing small business landscape, the Michigan Celebrates Small Business Awardees have demonstrated exemplary tenacity, adaptability, and leadership. The 2025 Awards Gala put Michigan's small businesses in the spotlight and gave them a chance to share their success stories with the supporters who helped them get to where they are today.

Companies nominated for the SBDC Best Small Business award must demonstrate a strong relationship with the organization as well as significant success as a company. Awardees in this category are selected based on the following:

- Demonstrated growth as a small business
- Embodiment of the American entrepreneurial spirit
- Strength of the relationship with the SBDC

**Congratulations to MLBA Board Member  
Diane Schindlbeck for receiving this  
honorable reward!**



# SHOTS

Little shots of information from the hospitality industry



- According to forecasts released today by IWSR, the global leader in beverage alcohol data and insights, the global beverage alcohol market is expected to grow by \$16 billion over the next five years. IWSR additionally released its first-ever 10-year forecast, predicting \$34 billion in value growth over the next ten years across key markets. In global trends, no-alcohol beverages continued to display strong growth in 2024. No-alcohol beer volume was up 9%, and IWSR now forecasts that it will surpass ale to become the second largest overall beer category by volume worldwide this year. RTDs continued their global growth in 2024, up 2% in volume and nearly 5% in value. While hard seltzers continue to decline, cocktails & long drinks are surging in most major markets, and hard tea experienced 31% annual volume growth in the US.

- Nearly three-fifths of Brewers Association (BA) defined regional craft breweries (57.02%) beyond the top 50 recorded production volume declines in 2024, according to annual data shared by the trade association in the May/June issue of the New Brewer magazine. The percentage of breweries in decline was up compared to 2023 (43.9%) and 2022 (47%). Of the 121 regional craft breweries ranked below the top 50, 69 recorded a year-over-year (YoY) decline in production volume. Forty-four breweries (36.36%) recorded production volume growth, while eight (6.61%) were flat.

- Non-alcoholic beer is projected to overtake ale as the second-largest beer category worldwide this year, according to IWSR. Younger consumers have been drinking less alcohol, fueling the trend. Major beer brands like Guinness, Budweiser and Heineken have rolled out non-alcoholic alternatives over the last five years. While overall beer volume fell roughly 1% in 2024, volume for its non-alcoholic counterpart grew 9% worldwide, according to IWSR. The category's growth accelerated in 2018 and has continued to outstrip the broader beer market since then. IWSR is projecting that no-alcohol beer will grow by 8% annually through 2029, while ale's volume is expected to slide 2% annually in that same period.

- Indian whisky giant Radico Khaitan has withdrawn its recently-launched single malt whisky Trikal following criticism that its branding "hurts" the sentiments of religious groups. Critics have argued that the brand-

ing and name of the whisky hurt religious sentiments. Trikal translates to "three times" in Sanskrit, referring to the past, present and future. It is a concept in Hinduism closely linked to the Lord Shiva.

- Texas Roadhouse had a fantastic 2024. The steakhouse chain's U.S. sales grew nearly 15%, to more than \$5.4 billion, and it became the largest casual-dining chain in the country, bumping Olive Garden out of the top spot. It was a landmark year by almost every measure for the 664-unit chain. And yet Texas Roadhouse was not even the fastest-growing brand in its own portfolio. That would be Bubba's 33, the 52-unit sports-bar chain the company created in 2014 as a pizza and burgers-focused complement to its main concept. Bubba's systemwide sales leapt by 20.4% last year, to almost \$298 million, according to Technomic Top 500 Chain Restaurant data. In an otherwise slow year for casual dining, it was the fastest-growing sports bar chain in the country by sales, and the ninth fastest-growing casual chain overall.

- AB InBev has confirmed that it cut 16% of its Budweiser workforce within the Asia-Pacific region last year. According to the company's 2024 annual report, the APAC arm of the business employed just over 21,000 people by year-end, a figure that was down from approximately 25,000 in 2023. Industry spectators have also reportedly interpreted the series of layoffs as a sign of pressure on the company's performance. For instance, in 2024, Budweiser APAC reported revenues of US\$6.246 billion, down 7% year-on-year. Alongside this, EBITDA came in at US\$1.807 billion, showing a 6.3% decline.

- Recent studies have found that some beers brewed in the US have high levels of "forever chemicals" and are considered above the allowed EPA limit. The team tested beers from areas with known documented water system contamination along with some other popular beers with unknown water sources. Through their research, it was found that beer brewed in North Carolina, California, and Michigan had elevated levels of this PFAS. International beers tested — one from Holland and two from Mexico — were less likely to have detectable PFAS.

# SMOOTH TO THE CORE



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# 2025 MLBA Executive Board Nominating Petition

A full member shall automatically have his or her name placed in nomination and on the ballot as a District Representative for the district in which their licensed business is located upon petition by 10 full members within that district. A full member shall have his or her name placed in nomination and on the ballot as an "At Large" Board Member upon petition by 25 full members located in any district.

A Board candidate must declare his or her intention to seek a position as a District Board member or At-Large Board member at least sixty (60) days prior to the election by returning this completed Nominating Petition form to the MLBA Office by the end of business (5:00 p.m. Eastern) on **Friday, August 29, 2025**.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby announce my intentions to run for (Please check one):  
candidate's full name

**NOTE:** Officers of the MLBA Executive Board serve two-year terms. District Representatives and At-Large Representatives serve one-year terms.

**District 1**

*Gogebic, Ontonagon, Houghton, Keweenaw, Baraga, Iron, Dickinson, Marquette, Menominee, Delta, Alger, Schoolcraft, Luce, Mackinac & Chippewa (including Mackinac and Drummond Islands).*

**District 2**

*Charlevoix, Emmet, Cheboygan, Presque Isle, Leelanau, Antrim, Otsego, Montmorency, Alpena, Benzie, Grand Traverse, Kalkaska, Crawford, Oscoda, Alcona, Manistee, Wexford, Missaukee, Roscommon, Ogemaw, & Iosco.*

**District 3**

*Mason, Lake, Osceola, Oceana, Newaygo, Mecosta, Muskegon, Ottawa, Kent, Montcalm, Gratiot, Ionia & Clinton.*

**District 4**

*Clare, Gladwin, Arenac, Isabella, Midland, Bay, Saginaw, Tuscola, Huron, Sanilac, Shiawassee, Genesee, & Lapeer.*

**District 5**

*Allegan, Barry, Eaton, Ingham, Van Buren, Kalamazoo, Calhoun, Jackson, Berrien, Cass, St. Joseph, Branch, Hillsdale, & Lenawee.*

**District 6**

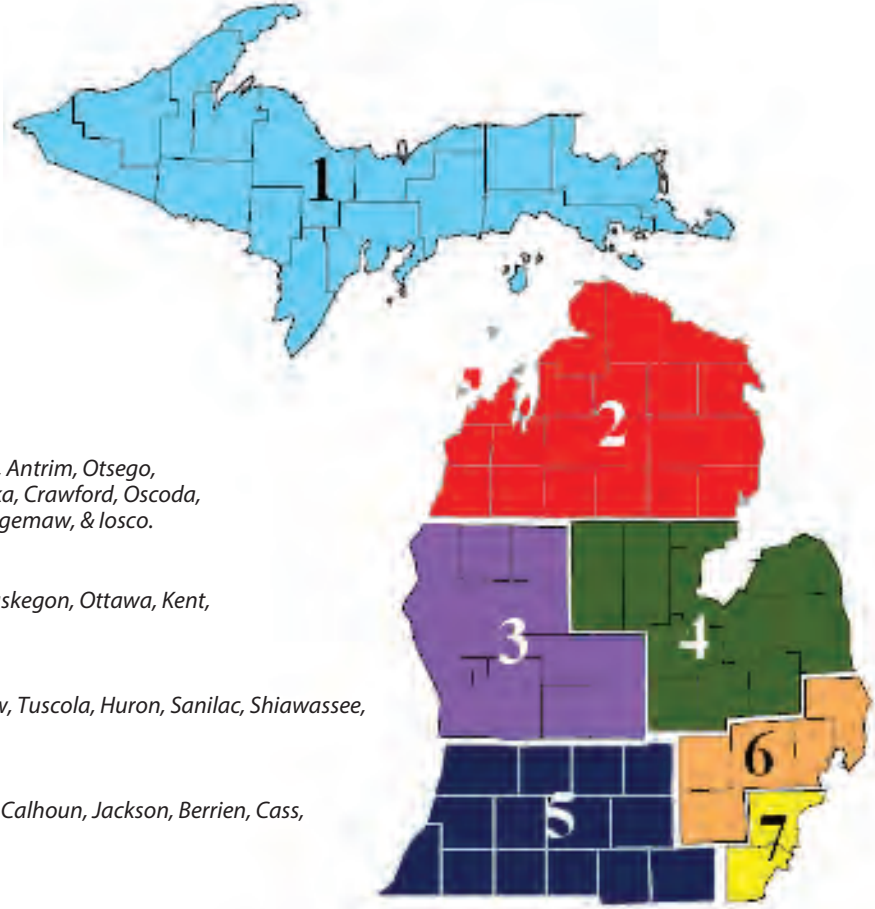
*Livingston, Washtenaw, Oakland, Macomb & St. Clair.*

**District 7**

*Wayne & Monroe.*

**At-Large Seat**

*(5 seats available)*



I hereby confirm that I am a full member of the MLBA. (If you are not on the license issued by the Michigan Liquor Control Commission, the licensee shall designate in writing to the MLBA one person from that entity as the member eligible to hold office or vote its members interest).

\_\_\_\_\_  
Candidate's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Establishment Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
MLBA Membership Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

Space provided on reverse for nominating signatures.

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City/State/ZIP

# 2025 MLBA Executive Board Nominating Petition

By signing below, you are indicating your support of MLBA Member \_\_\_\_\_ candidate name  
 to be placed on the ballot for the position of \_\_\_\_\_ position sought

MLBA Member Name (print)	MLBA Member Signature	Establishment Name	Establishment Address (please include city)
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**NOTE:** Candidates for District Board Member must collect ten (10) MLBA member nominations to be placed on ballot. Candidates for At-Large Board Member must collect twenty five (25) MLBA member nominations.

Nominating Petition Forms must be received at the MLBA Office by the end of business (5:00 p.m. Eastern) on Friday, August 29, 2025

# Violations

The violations listed here are for information only and should not be used for comparison purposes or as a guideline for determining possible penalties for future violations. Violation penalties vary widely based on individual circumstances, such as severity of violation, age of minor, licensee's previous record, corrective action taken, server training, etc. It is recommended that an attorney specializing in liquor-related legal matters be consulted when violations occur to determine possible penalties and appropriate course of action.

## SALES TO MINORS

Apache Trout Grill, 13671 S West Bay Shore Dr, Traverse City, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$500 or 25-day suspension.	Boardwalk St, Ann Arbor, 2 charges. PENALTY: \$600 or 30-day suspension.	Greenville Hot Spot LLC, 200 S Maplewood Dr, Greenville, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$500 or 25-day suspension.	Putvin Health Mart Drug Store, 211 S Cedar St, Manistique, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$400 or 20-day suspension.
Aperitivo, 435 Ionia Ave SW, Stalls A131-132 & Storage Space A028, Grand Rapids, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$400 or 20-day suspension.	Crafty Crab Eastpointe Inc., 25001 Gratiot Ave, Eastpointe, 2 charges. PENALTY: \$800 or 40-day suspension.	Jax 60, 3501 Wildwood Ave, Jackson, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$500 or 25-day suspension.	Quality Market, 8919-8927 Michigan Ave, Detroit, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$600 or 30-day suspension.
Applebee's Neighborhood Grill & Bar #8404, 615 S Greenville West Dr, Greenville, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$500 or 25-day suspension.	D.A.M. Group Investments, Inc., 1950 E 11 Mile Rd, Warren, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$600 or 30-day suspension.	KD's Corner, 12720 7 Mile Rd NE, Belding, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$500 or 25-day suspension.	RK Snack Shop of Albion, 201 Perry St, Albion, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$500 or 25-day suspension.
Applebee's Neighborhood Grill & Bar #8406, 1685 Marketplace Dr SE, Caledonia, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$500 or 25-day suspension.	El Mexicano Authentic Mexican Restaurant, 201 N Euclid Ave, Bay City, 2 charges. PENALTY: \$600 or 30-day suspension.	Kooters in the Field, 4512 E M-21, Corunna, 2 charges. PENALTY: \$600 or 30-day suspension.	Sav A Lot, 6718 S Division St, Grand Rapids, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$500 or 25-day suspension.
Barney's Bar & Grill, 800 Michigan Ave, Bay City, 2 charges. PENALTY: \$700 or 35-day suspension.	Exchange Bar and Grill, 157 E Main St, Northville, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$500 or 25-day suspension.	Local Detroit LLC, 409 S Main St, Rochester, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$500 or 25-day suspension.	Shore Liquor #13, 29104 N Gibraltar Rd, Gibraltar, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$500 or 25-day suspension.
Beer Church Brewing Co., 24 S Whittaker St, New Buffalo, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$600 or 30-day suspension.	Express Stop #4678, 2410 Michigan Ave SW, Battle Creek, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$500 or 25-day suspension.	Mario's Meats, 19172-19184 E 10 Mile Rd, Eastpointe, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$700 or 35-day suspension.	SK Party Store, LLC, 6572 Division Ave S, Grand Rapids, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$500 or 25-day suspension.
BJ's Restaurant Operations Company, 19470 Haggerty Rd, Livonia, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$400 or 20-day suspension.	Family Dollar #27161, 4947 W M-80 Kincheloe, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$500 or 25-day suspension.	Mathew's Liquor, 14050-14054 W McNichols Rd, Detroit, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$500 or 25-day suspension.	Speedway #8797, 3113 S Sheridan Rd, Lennon, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$500 or 25-day suspension.
Buscemi's, 54800 Gratiot Ave, Chesterfield, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$500 or 25-day suspension.	Family Dollar #28037, 18040 E 9 Mile Rd, Eastpointe, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$1,000 or 50-day suspension.	Mobil Madison, 25031 Dequindre Rd, Madison Heights, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$500 or 25-day suspension.	Star Lodges, LLC, 33043 Hamilton Ct, Farmington Hills, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$500 or 25-day suspension.
Celina's Sports Bar & Grill, 623 W 11 Mile Rd, Madison Heights, 2 charges. PENALTY: \$1,200 or 60-day suspension.	Family Dollar Stores of Michigan, LLC, 4238 E 10 Mile Rd, Warren, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$500 or 25-day suspension.	Nina's South Side Market, 503 S Oak St, Durand, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$1,000 or 50-day suspension.	Sweetwater Tavern-Eastpointe, 16091 E 10 Mile Rd, Eastpointe, 2 charges. PENALTY: \$600 or 30-day suspension.
Cheers, 12344 E 8 Mile Rd, Detroit, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$600 or 30-day suspension.	Famous Dave's, 5665 Bay Rd, Saginaw, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$500 or 25-day suspension.	North End Convenience, 1585 Plainfield Ave NE, Grand Rapids, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$500 or 25-day suspension.	Texas De Brazil, 760 Briarwood Cir, Ann Arbor, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$500 or 25-day suspension.
CITGO, 1849 E 11 Mile Rd, Madison Heights, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$500 or 25-day suspension.	Fillin' Station, 49434 Gratiot Ave, Chesterfield, 2 charges. PENALTY: \$1,500 or 75-day suspension.	Oklea Party Store, 10398 N Cedar Dr, Grand Haven, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$600 or 30-day suspension.	The Coach Sports & Grille, 26685 Dequindre Rd, Madison Heights, 2 charges. PENALTY: \$600 or 30-day suspension.
Columba Ave One Stop, 405 Columbia Ave, Holland, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$500 or 25-day suspension.	Firewater, LLC, 06464 Arvesta Dr, South Haven, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$500 or 25-day suspension.	One Stop Party Store, 5836-5840 Linwood St, Detroit, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$500 or 25-day suspension.	The Ida Tavern, 2895 Lewis Ave, Ida, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$400 or 20-day suspension.
Courtyard Ann Arbor, 3205	Food Basket, Inc., 1002-1004 W Elm Ave, Monroe, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$600 or 30-day suspension.	One Stop Shop & BP Gas Station, 1335 N Broadway St, Hastings, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$900 or 45-day suspension.	The Merchant's Bar, 108 W Spruce St, Sault Sainte Marie, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$500 or 25-day suspension.
	Grattan Irish Pub, 11817 Old Belding Rd NE, Belding, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$500 or 25-day suspension.	PPL Petroleum-Lennon, Inc., 11941 E Corunna Rd, Lennon, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$700 or 35-day suspension.	The Shed Bar & Grille Inc., 11995 S Merrill Rd, Brant, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$500 or

25-day suspension.

Tyrone Party Store, 9485 Center Rd, Fenton, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$600 or 30-day suspension.

Van's, 15123 E 10 Mile Rd, Eastpointe, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$600 or 30-day suspension.

Wal-Mart Store #5444, 10305 Country Club Rd, Ironwood, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$500 or 25-day suspension.

Walmart Supercenter #5844, 29574 7 Mile Rd, Livonia, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$900 or 45-day suspension.

Wesley Farms Market, 59069 Gratiot Ave, New Haven, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$400 or 20-day suspension.

Whisky Dick's, 109 Elm Ave, Munising, 2 charges. PENALTY: \$600 or 30-day suspension.

Zain's Party Store, 10030 14 Mile Rd NE, Rockford, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$900 or 45-day suspension.

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32 Taps Tavern, 12601 Grafton Rd, Carleton, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$100 or 5-day suspension.

A&C Milan, Inc., 1200 Dexter St, Milan, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$300 or 15-day suspension.

A-1 Liquor, 25825 W 6 Mile Rd, Redford, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$300 or 15-day suspension.

American Legion Post 22, 2200 S Niagara St, Saginaw, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$50 or 3-day suspension.

Beecher Beer & Wine, 5375 N Saginaw St, Flint, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$200 or 10-day suspension.

Brownie's on the Lake, 24214 Jefferson Ave, Saint Clair Shores, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$50 or 3-day suspension.

Chapala, 211-213 N Main St, Ann Arbor, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$100 or 5-day suspension.

Chicane, 885 Starkweather St, Plymouth, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$50 or 3-day

suspension.

Club Jovonnes, 9140 Greenfield Rd, Detroit, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$300 or 15-day suspension.

Daytona North, 66280 North Ave, Ray, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$50 or 3-day suspension.

Desmond's Elegant Affairs, 12924-12926 Puritan St, Detroit, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$300 or 15-day suspension.

Diamond Dot Market, 3810 E McNichols Rd, Detroit, 6 charges. PENALTY: \$900 or 45-day suspension.

Duke of Earl's, 10411 W Jefferson Ave, River Rouge, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$50 or 3-day suspension.

El Toro Mexican Bar & Grill, 3800 Centerpoint Hwy, Pontiac, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$75 or 3-day suspension.

F&Z Holdings, LLC, 141 N Telegraph Rd, Waterford, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$50 or 3-day suspension.

Fallen Timbers, 13901 US Highway 31, Beulah, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$50 or 3-day suspension.

Grandville Party Store, 944 Cesar E. Chavez Ave, Grands Rapids, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$200 or 10-day suspension.

Green Valley Golf Club, 25379 Fawn River Rd, Sturgis, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$50 or 3-day suspension.

Huron Food Market, 1116 W Huron St, Waterford, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$200 or 10-day suspension.

I Love Liquor, 3240 Packard St, Ann Arbor, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$300 or 15-day suspension.

Indian Village Market, 8415 E Jefferson Ave, Detroit, 2 charges. PENALTY: \$600 or 30-day suspension.

K&T Party Store, 10084 M-32 W, Herron, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$50 or 3-day suspension.

Ladd's & Company, 4230 Henry St, Norton Shores, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$100 or 5-day suspension.

Latitudes Tavern, 307 W Chisholm St, Alpena, 2

charges. PENALTY: \$100 or 5-day suspension.

Legends of Saginaw, LLC, 4142 W Michigan Ave, Saginaw, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$200 or 10-day suspension.

Lighthouse Lounge, 377 N 3rd St, Rogers City, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$100 or 5-day suspension.

Liquor Legend, 11414 Livernois Ave, Detroit, 2 charges. PENALTY: \$300 or 15-day suspension.

M-99 Party Store, 601 Michigan St, Eaton Rapids, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$200 or 10-day suspension.

Main Party Store, 201 N Main St, Ann Arbor, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$150 or 7-day suspension.

Marti's Market, 29471 US Highway 41, Michigamme, 2 charges. PENALTY: \$100 or 5-day suspension.

Mr. S Party Shop, 12343 Morang Dr, Detroit, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$200 or 10-day suspension.

Oakrest Market, 35950 Dequindre Rd, Sterling Heights, 4 charges. PENALTY: \$200 or 10-day suspension.

One Mike Detroit, 1331 Broadway, Detroit, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$300 or 15-day suspension.

One Under Bar & Grill, 35780 5 Mile Rd, Livonia, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$300 or 15-day suspension.

Pacificoast 123 W Front St, Ste 18, Traverse City, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$50 or 3-day suspension.

Patio Market, 32234 W Jefferson Ave, Rockwood, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$50 or 3-day suspension.

Platinum Petroleum, Inc., 36900 Harper Ave, Clinton Township, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$300 or 15-day suspension.

Pony Keg Wine Shoppe, 17900 E Warren Ave, Detroit, 7 charges. PENALTY: \$1,400 or 70-day suspension.

Queens Bar, 35 E Grand River Ave, Detroit, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$50 or 3-day suspension.

Saline Market, 75 E Bennett St, Saline, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$50 or 3-day suspension.

Save Up Market, 2041 Puritan St, Detroit, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$300 or 15-day suspension.

Shinabros, Inc., 1065 E 9 Mile Rd, Hazel Park, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$100 or 5-day suspension.

Sidecar Slider Bar, 340 N Main St, Suite 107, Plymouth, 2 charges. PENALTY: \$100 or 5-day suspension.

Soul on Ice, 8867 Livernois Ave, Detroit, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$50 or 3-day suspension.

Star of Woodward, 5730 Woodward Ave, Detroit, 2 charges. PENALTY: \$600 or 30-day suspension.

Sweet Cherry 81 LLC, 520 S Lilley Rd, Canton, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$50 or 3-day suspension.

Texas Roadhouse, 36750 Ford Rd, Westland, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$50 or 3-day suspension.

The Blu Moon, 121 & 125 S James St, Ludington, 2 charges. PENALTY: \$100 or 5-day suspension.

The Dirty Duck Saloon, 7015 Twin Lakes Rd, Cheboygan, 2 charges. PENALTY: \$100 or 5-day suspension.

Trius Liquor, Inc., 18618 Eureka Rd, Southgate, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$50 or 3-day suspension.

Van Dyke Liquor, 6455 Van Dyke St, Detroit, 1 charge. PENALTY: \$300 or 15-day suspension.

Vecino, 4100 3rd St, Detroit, 2 charges. PENALTY: \$200 or 10-day suspension.

Vic's Grocery, 10211 N Clio Rd, Clio, 2 charges. PENALTY: \$500 or 25-day suspension.

Wings & Things, 790 E Main St, Benton Harbor, 3 charges. PENALTY: \$150 or 7-day suspension.

Wow, 31193 Utica Rd, Fraser, 2 charges. PENALTY: \$200 or 10-day suspension.



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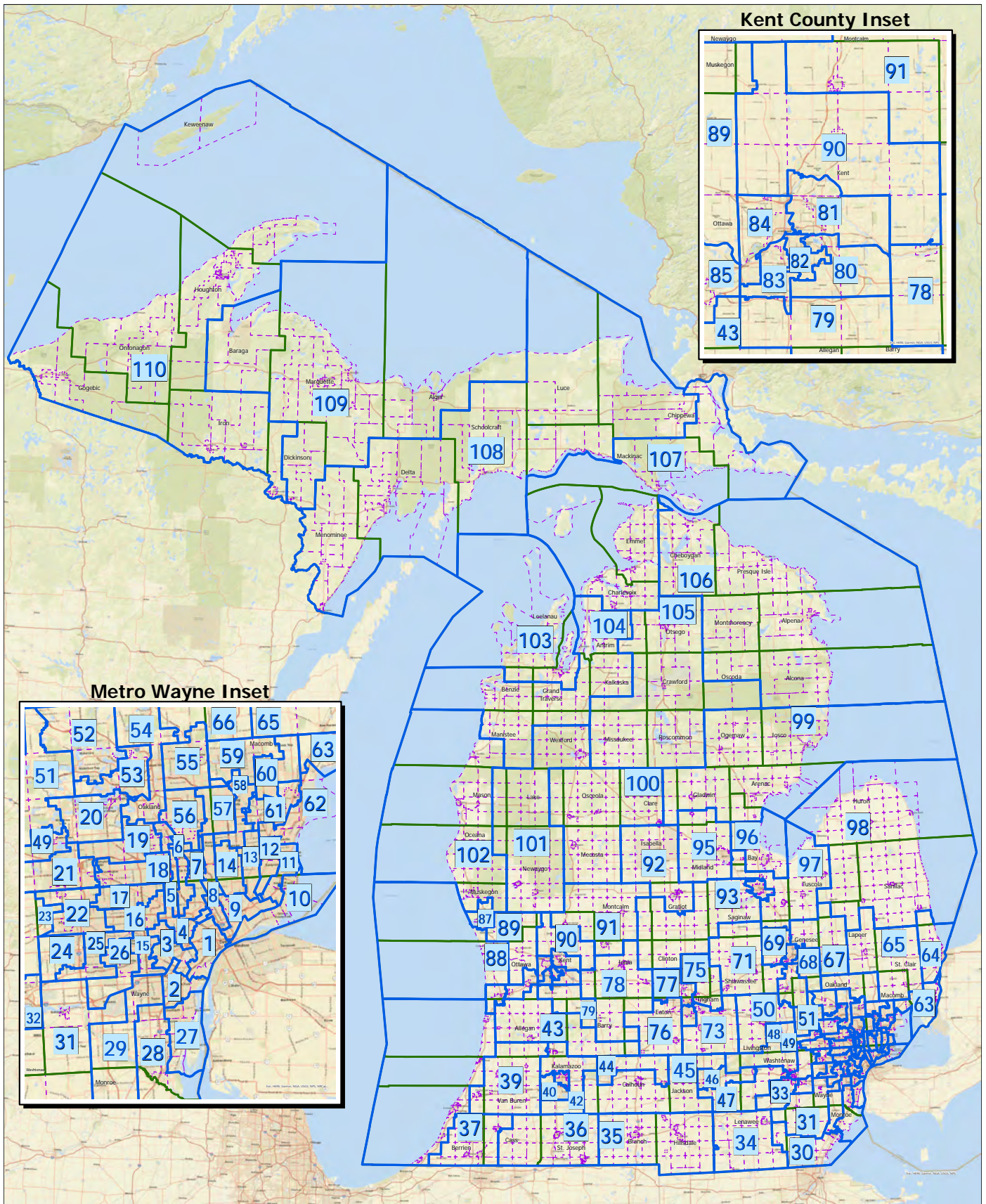
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