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- 1 **Brewer licenses.** Sets an annual fee of \$500 for licenses for brewers who brew 2,000 to 3,500 barrels per year. Under present law the fee for such brewers is \$2,500.
- 2 **Off-sales by small brewers.** Allows brewers who brew fewer than 3,500 barrels per year to sell their product at off-sale in 64-ounce bottles.
- 3 **Temporary licenses.** Allows a city to issue to a small brewer (under 3,500 barrels a year) a temporary on-sale intoxicating liquor license in connection with a social event in the city sponsored by the brewer.
- 4 **Licenses in proximity to hospitals and prisons.** Provides that the statutory prohibition against issuing a liquor license to a location within 1,000 feet of a state hospital, training school, penal institution, or other institution under the supervision or control, in whole or in part, of the commissioners of human services or corrections applies only to state hospitals, training schools, reformatories, or prisons. Deletes references to institutions under control of commissioners of corrections or human services.
- 5 **Beer samples.** Allows brewers to give samples up to 100 ml (approximately 3.4 ounces) of their own products to persons participating in tours.
- 6 **Penalty for sales near institutions.** Amends the law that prohibits sale of liquor within 1,000 feet of hospitals and prisons to reflect the change in section 4.
- 7 **Severability.** Makes all provisions of the chapter of Minnesota Statutes dealing with alcoholic beverages severable.
- 8 **Elko speedway license.** Specifies that the on-sale intoxicating liquor license authorized in 2003 for the Elko Speedway allows sales on all days of the week.
- 9 **State fair licenses.** Transfers from St. Paul to Ramsey County the authority to issue licenses to state fair vendors to sell Minnesota-produced wine.
- 10 **Wade Stadium (Duluth) license.** Allows Duluth to issue an on-sale wine and beer license to Wade Municipal Stadium for use during baseball games and other events of the Duluth

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Huskies. Allows the license to authorize sale and consumption of wine and beer in the grandstand and dining areas of the stadium. Specifies that the license allows sales on all days of the week.

- 11 Minneapolis license.** Allows Minneapolis to issue an intoxicating liquor license to Manning's Café at 2200 Como Avenue S.E.
- 12 State capitol centennial license.** Allows St. Paul to issue an on-sale wine and beer license to the Capitol 2005 Commission or Friends of the Minnesota State Capitol for special events at the capitol and capitol grounds in connection with the state capitol centennial. Makes the license valid from November 30, 2004, to January 2, 2006.
- 13 Effective date.** Makes section 1 (brewer license fees) effective July 1, 2004. Makes section on Elko Speedway license effective on local approval. Makes other sections effective immediately.

This bill was vetoed by the governor on May 29, 2004.