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COMPETITIVE ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR PRICING TASK FORCE

EXISTING ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR PERMIT RESTRICTIONS SUBCOMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, September 19, 2012

9:00 AM in Room 1C of the LOB

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 AM by Subcommittee Chairman, Edward Berthiaume.

The following task force members were present:

Edward Berthiaume, Chief James Cetran; Edward Crowley; Rep. Sandy Nafis, 27th District; Commissioner William Rubenstein, DCP; David Rutigliano; Rep. Rosa Rebimbas, 70th District

Absent were: Rep. Kathy Tallarita, 58th District

Ed Berthiaume stated that Rep. Tallarita was under the weather and would not be attending the meeting. After some discussion with panel members, the chair announced that, in light of a lack of material to review, that the other subcommittee meetings scheduled for today would be cancelled.

The subcommittee reviewed an OLR report regarding existing permit restrictions in other states. Commissioner Rubenstein asked if OLR could research further the definition of "grocery store" in other states? He stated that at last week's meeting, the task force heard testimony from individuals who said that some states define these establishments different than Connecticut. It would be helpful to know more specifics information, he said. Commissioner Rubenstein also asked OLR to research the limits on the types of goods that package stores are allowed to sell in other states?

Ed Berthiaume asked Ed Crowley if the OLR report answered some of his questions. Ed Crowley stated that the report did not address his question about permit restrictions by total square miles in a state. However, he was happy that the report detailed the population limits in other states.

David Rutigliano stated that this was a good report and thanked staff.

There being no additional discussion, Ed Berthiaume announced that the next task force meeting would be held on October 10th at 11:00 AM in Hearing Room 1B.

A motion was duly made and seconded to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 AM.

Stephen A. Palmer Clerk