Compliance & Licensing News

Greetings, licensee partners! As you've no doubt heard, our agency is now the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Services. The Compliance & Licensing Division is excited to embrace not only this new name but an emphasis on facilitating a robust, quality customer-focused environment. We're happy to share with you a few updates below.

Off-Premise Team: Thanks to the addition of some personnel, we now have a team dedicated to assisting off-premise retailers, beer wholesalers, and beer manufacturers to ensure that products are approved for retail sale as quickly as possible while maintaining fidelity to statutory requirements. If you have questions, please contact OP Program Manager Stephne Hanson at shanson@utah.gov or Compliance Specialist Katie Kolowich at kkolowich@utah.gov.

Spirituous Liquors & Flavorings: A secondary flavoring ingredient may be the same type of liquor as the primary spirituous liquor (primary pour) in an alcoholic beverage if it is a different brand or flavor than the primary spirituous liquor (primary pour). Just a reminder that the primary spirituous liquor may not exceed 1.5 ounces and the secondary flavoring ingredient may not exceed 1 ounce. We will post an updated article about this in our licensee support and topics library section on our website in the near future.

Credit Card Payments: The DABS now has the ability to take credit card payments over the phone, thus saving our licensee business partners the time and money involved with traveling to our office. Due to security requirements, only two DABS personnel are currently able to process these transactions, so please be patient with us. Security of your credit card information is our primary focus.

Digital Infrastructure: We are finalizing our scope of work process with a vendor to begin the wire framing of a new compliance & licensing platform that will greatly enhance accessibility for both the DABS and our licensee business partners and other stakeholders. Stay tuned for future updates!