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Subject: Alcoholic beverages revisions.

Summary/Major Elements:

- Existing law provides that population formulas have no application to the issuance of restaurant liquor licenses within a county when the total dollar amount of wholesale purchases from the division of liquor in the county is greater than 50 times the county population. This act removes the total dollar amount threshold.
- Existing law establishes qualification requirements, time periods and fees for special malt beverage permits for public auditoriums, civic centers and events centers. This act removes those qualification requirements, time periods and fees and authorizes the body issuing the permits to adopt rules addressing those issues.
- Existing law specifies hours of sales for dispensing rooms, provides an exemption for clubs holding liquor licenses from the hours of sales and authorizes licensing authorities to designate dates for unrestricted sales. This act repeals those provisions and authorizes local licensing authorities to set hours of operation for alcohol sales, provided the hours of operation are uniformly applied to similarly situated establishments.
- This act also repeals the following:
 - The requirement that license and permit fees be paid in cash or by certified check;
 - The restriction on renewing licenses and permits for licensees or permittees that did not, during the previous one year term of the license or permit, purchase at least \$500 of alcoholic or malt beverages or a combination thereof from the Wyoming Liquor Division (Division) or authorized malt beverage wholesaler;
 - The provision granting the owner and holder of an expired liquor license or permit or one due for expiration a preference right to a new license for the same location;
 - The restrictions on license and permit holding by a mayor, city or town council member, county commissioner or law enforcement officer;
 - Provisions related to prohibited acts in a licensed building or premises;
 - The limitation on the number of restaurant liquor licenses that may be issued after the maximum number of appropriate licenses have been certified by the Division;
 - Obsolete provisions related to licenses or permits issued prior to April 1, 1961, and related to federal tax stamps.

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