

**Alcohol Beverage Study Commission
Public Comment Form***

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Please provide any background information you believe to be relevant along with any supporting information or research you would like the Commission to consider along with this Public Comment Form.

Please provide your specific thoughts on the following questions and use additional paper if necessary:

What are the issues that affect your business/industry relative to the three tier system?

We are seeking legal changes that will allow Alabama's small business breweries to operate with the same advantages as our competitors in other states.

What solutions would you suggest to solve the issues you identified?

1. *Create a single craft brewers license to insulate special privileges for small craft breweries*
2. *Allow off-premise direct sales from the craft brewery*
3. *Allow self-distribution for craft breweries, whereby some producers can sell to retailers without the requirement to sell to a distributor*
4. *Allow craft breweries to sell other alcohol on its licensed premises so that it can operate as a brewpub*

Are there any specific issues relative to licensing that should be addressed in the law?

See ABG Proposal Document.