

1 SB153  
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3 By Senator Dixon  
4 RFD: Tourism and Marketing  
5 First Read: 12-JAN-10

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7 A BILL  
8 TO BE ENTITLED  
9 AN ACT

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11 To permit the production of homebrewed beer, mead,  
12 cider, and wine for personal use.

13 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

14 Section 1. (a) Notwithstanding any provisions to the  
15 contrary, a person who is not prohibited by Section 28-1-5,  
16 Code of Alabama 1975, from purchasing, consuming, possessing,  
17 or transporting alcoholic beverages due to age may produce  
18 beer, mead, cider, and wine for personal and noncommercial  
19 uses, in the amounts specified in this section, without  
20 payment of taxes or fees and without obtaining a license. The  
21 aggregate amount of the beer, mead, cider, and wine permitted  
22 to be produced under this section, with respect to any  
23 household, shall not exceed the aggregate amounts specified in  
24 26 U.S.C §5053(e).

25 (b) Beer, mead, cider, or wine produced under this  
26 section may not be sold or offered for sale.

1 (c) Not more than 20 gallons of beer, mead, cider,  
2 or wine produced under this section may be removed from the  
3 premises where it was produced and may be transported for  
4 personal and noncommercial uses, including use at organized  
5 events, such as homebrewing competitions, tastings, judgments,  
6 and craft exhibitions. Organized events involving beer, mead,  
7 cider, or wine produced for personal use may be held on the  
8 premises of entities licensed under Title 28, Code of Alabama  
9 1975, without violating the terms or conditions of licensure.

10 (d) Nothing in this section permits the production  
11 of distilled liquors, such as bourbon, whiskey, rum, or vodka,  
12 for personal use or otherwise.

13 (e) Nothing in this section permits a person less  
14 than 21 years of age to purchase, consume, possess, or  
15 transport beer, mead, cider, or wine produced for personal  
16 use.

17 (f) Nothing in this section permits the production  
18 of beer, mead, cider, and wine in a dry municipality, as the  
19 term is defined in Chapter 2A of Title 28, Code of Alabama  
20 1975, and, with the exception of wet municipalities, as the  
21 term is defined in Chapter 2A of Title 28, Code of Alabama  
22 1975, nothing in this section permits the production of beer,  
23 mead, cider, and wine in a dry county, as the term is defined  
24 in Chapter 2A of Title 28, Code of Alabama 1975.

25 Section 2. This act shall become effective  
26 immediately following its passage and approval by the  
27 Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.

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McDowell Lee  
Secretary