

This Document can be made available
in alternative formats upon request

State of Minnesota
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

**EIGHTY-SIXTH
SESSION**

HOUSE FILE No. 97

January 12, 2009

Authored by Solberg and Ward

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Commerce and Labor

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to alcohol; authorizing convention centers to obtain liquor licenses;
1.3 amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 340A.404, subdivision 1.

1.4 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:**

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 340A.404, subdivision 1, is amended to
1.6 read:

1.7 Subdivision 1. **Cities.** (a) A city may issue an on-sale intoxicating liquor license to
1.8 the following establishments located within its jurisdiction:

1.9 (1) hotels;

1.10 (2) restaurants;

1.11 (3) bowling centers;

1.12 (4) clubs or congressionally chartered veterans organizations with the approval of
1.13 the commissioner, provided that the organization has been in existence for at least three
1.14 years and liquor sales will only be to members and bona fide guests;

1.15 (5) sports facilities located on land owned by the Metropolitan Sports Commission;
1.16 and

1.17 (6) exclusive liquor stores.

1.18 (b) A city may issue an on-sale intoxicating liquor license, an on-sale wine license,
1.19 or an on-sale malt liquor license to a theater within the city, notwithstanding any law, local
1.20 ordinance, or charter provision. A license issued under this paragraph authorizes sales on
1.21 all days of the week to persons attending events at the theater.

1.22 (c) A city may issue an on-sale intoxicating liquor license, an on-sale wine license, or
1.23 an on-sale malt liquor license to a convention center within the city, notwithstanding any

2.1 law, local ordinance, or charter provision. A license issued under this paragraph authorizes
2.2 sales on all days of the week to persons attending events at the convention center.

2.3 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.