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Amendment Summary A-01959 **House Bill 189, Printer's Number 181** **Prime Sponsor: Sonney**

SUMMARY

Amendment A-01959

Direct Wine Shipping

- Allows another country to obtain a direct wine shipper license.
- Removes the 18% Johnstown Flood Tax.
- Adds a \$1 per gallon excise tax on all wine shipped.
- Adds additional penalties to persons convicted of reselling wine that has been purchased directly by the consumer from a direct wine shipper.
- Establishes the PA Wine Marketing and Research Program Board in the Department of Agriculture.

Special Liquor Orders

- Allows a licensed importer or licensed vendor to place special liquor orders on behalf of customers and make delivery directly to customers. Orders shipped directly to customers will not be assessed a handling fee.
- Permits the Board to refuse to process a special liquor order if it appears the special order is for an item substantially similar to an item that is on the monthly list or if the Board believes that demand for an item is such that it should be made available generally. In those circumstances, the item shall be made available through the Board.