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Dutiable Commodities (Liquor Licences) (Fees) (Amendment) (Fee Concessions) Regulation 2019

(Made by the Secretary for Food and Health under section 6A of the Dutiable Commodities Ordinance (Cap. 109) and section 29 of the Interpretation and General Clauses Ordinance (Cap. 1))

1. Commencement

- (1) Subject to subsection (2), this Regulation comes into operation on 1 October 2019.
- (2) Section 4(2) comes into operation on 1 October 2020.

2. Dutiable Commodities (Liquor Licences) (Fees) Regulation amended

The Dutiable Commodities (Liquor Licences) (Fees) Regulation (Cap. 109 sub. leg. H) is amended as set out in sections 3 and 4.

3. Section 3 added

After section 2—

Add

"3. Concessions on fees from October 2019 to September 2020

- (1) This section has effect despite section 2(1).
- (2) Subject to subsection (3), item 1(a)(i) or (b)(i) or 2(a)(i) or (b)(i) of Part 2 of the Schedule has effect in relation to a specified licence as if the amount specified in column 3 of that Part for the item were substituted by "\$0".

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(3) If—

- (a) 2 or more licences, each being a specified licence, are issued in respect of the same premises;
- (b) the effective date of each of those licences falls within the concession period; and
- (c) the aggregate period of those licences exceeds 12 months by a period (excess period),

then the amount of fee that is waived in respect of the last of those licences under subsection (2) is reduced by an amount equals to the fee that would, apart from that subsection, have been payable for that licence for the excess period.

(4) For a specified licence that is valid for more than one year, the fee specified in column 3 of Part 2 of the Schedule for item 1(a)(ii) or (b)(ii) or 2(a)(ii) or (b)(ii) of that Part is to be reduced by an amount calculated in accordance with the following formula—

$$\frac{F}{M} \times 12$$

where—

- F = the fee specified for item 1(a)(ii) or (b)(ii) or 2(a)(ii) or (b)(ii) (as the case may be) in column 3 of Part 2 of the Schedule for the relevant specified licence; and
- M = the number of months for which the relevant specified licence is valid.
- (5) In this section—

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concession period (寬免期) means the period from 1 October 2019 to 30 September 2020 (both dates inclusive);

specified licence (指明牌照) means—

- (a) a newly issued liquor licence that takes effect within the concession period; or
- (b) a renewed liquor licence the renewal of which takes effect within the concession period.
- (6) This section expires at midnight on 30 September 2020.".

4. Schedule amended (fees in respect of liquor licences)

(1) The Schedule—

Repeal

"[s. 2]"

Substitute

"[ss. 2 & 3]".

(2) The Schedule—

Repeal

"[ss. 2 & 3]"

Substitute

"[s. 2]".

Professor Sophia CHAN Siu-chee Secretary for Food and Health

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Explanatory Note Paragraph 1

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Explanatory Note

This Regulation amends the Dutiable Commodities (Liquor Licences) (Fees) Regulation (Cap. 109 sub. leg. H) to provide for concessions on certain fees payable in respect of the issue or renewal of liquor licences under the Dutiable Commodities Ordinance (Cap. 109) within the period from October 2019 to September 2020.