

**Statement from Don Grasse  
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My name is Don Grasse and I am President of the Alaska Beer, Wine and Spirits Wholesalers Association. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to present our Association's support of S.B. 9.

First, I want to thank Senator Peter Micciche for sponsoring this important legislation.

S.B. 9 basically rewrites and modernizes the Title 4 alcohol statutes.

Our Association was an active participant in the multi-year, stakeholders process which resulted in the creation of S.B. 9.

Although the negotiation process that resulted with S.B. 9 was lengthy, a more important element is that the process was also open and inclusive of the input from everyone who had an interest in the Title 4 modernization issue.

Finally, as you know, there is broad support for this legislation from a wide spectrum of groups and individuals.

Our Association strongly supports passage of S.B. 9 and we encourage the Senate Finance Committee to move the bill from the Committee so progress on addressing this important issue will continue.

Again, thank you for allowing me to present this statement on S.B. 9.