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**§ 5526. Classes and Fees.**

The Secretary of Commerce shall have the authority to create a new Class-7 Special Liquor License and a new Class-8 Special Casino Liquor License and a new Class 9 Special Electronic Gaming Liquor License and to promulgate application filing and license fees for the following class of licenses only:

- Class 1 Manufacturer's License
  - Annual Sampling Fee
- Class 2 Wholesale Agent's License
  - Annual Sampling Fee
- Class 3 Retail Dealer's On-Sale License:
  - Beer and Wine
  - General
  - General (if Class A Restaurant license holder)
  - Annual Sampling Fee
- Class 4 Retail Dealer's Off-Sale License:
  - Beer and Wine
  - General
  - Annual Sampling Fee
- Class 5 Temporary Beer License
- Class 6 Club License
- Class 7 Special Liquor License
- Class 8 Special Casino Liquor License
- Class 9 Special Electronic Gaming Liquor License

**Source:** MIDC § 11.08.050; amended by [PL 15-115](#) § 5, [PL 17-83](#) § 2(a) (Sept. 23, 2012), repealed and re-enacted; amended by [PL 19-30](#) § 2 (Jan. 21, 2016), modified.

**Commission Comment:** See the comment to [4 CMC § 5511](#).

For more information regarding [PL 15-115](#), see comment to [4 CMC § 5585](#).

In addition to a severability and savings clause, [PL 17-83](#) also included:

Section 1. Findings and Purpose. The Commonwealth Legislature finds that according to the recent Youth Risk Behavior Survey conducted by the Public School System in 2007, about 70 percent of high school students and 53 percent of middle school students in the CNMI have had at least one drink of alcohol. Although there are established statutes in the CNMI to prevent minors from consuming alcohol, the Legislature finds that existing penalties need to be strengthened to discourage alcohol consumption by minors and persons or establishments from providing and selling alcoholic beverages to minors. The Legislature further finds that the penalties for tobacco use by minors and illegal sales of tobacco products to minors are far more stringent than that of alcohol penalty provisions. It is, therefore, the purpose of this Act to increase the

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established penalties pertaining to minors consuming alcohol, and persons or establishments for providing and selling alcoholic beverages to minors. The Legislature further finds that certain provisions of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act need to be amended, which include the licensing fees that was established since 1962 to meet current demands, to ensure effective and efficient monitoring of businesses selling alcoholic beverages as recommended by the Secretary of the Department of Commerce and Director of the Alcoholic Beverage and Tobacco Control Division.

The Commission inserted a close parenthesis after “license holder” and placed “Annual Sampling Fee” on the following line to correct a manifest error, pursuant to [1 CMC § 3806\(g\)](#).