

## **DEPARTMENT OF LIQUOR CONTROL**

### **Mission Statement:**

To protect the health, safety and welfare of the residents of Kauai County by effectively and fairly enforcing Federal and State laws and County liquor rules as they apply to the manufacture, sale and distribution of alcoholic beverages.

### **Program Description:**

The Department of Liquor Control, as authorized by State statute, is responsible for enforcement of Section 281 of the Hawaii Revised Statutes and the rules of the liquor commission. The department also serves as the staff for the seven-member commission that has the sole jurisdiction to approve or renew liquor license applications, and also suspend or revoke a license once it has been issued. Currently, the commission meets twice monthly and performs both regulatory and adjudication functions.

The liquor department is divided into three distinctive branches with specific functions and responsibilities, all working toward the same mission.

### **Department Goals:**

The goals of the Department of Liquor Control are:

1. To meet the public's expectations by monitoring the manufacture, distribution, and sale of alcoholic beverages in the County of Kauai.
2. To provide the highest level of service to the licensees in the County of Kauai and assist them in conducting a lawful and profitable business.

### **Duties, Powers, and Functions of the Department:**

The department provides the administrative services for the commission. It investigates all applications for liquor licenses and compiles all the facts and statistics on all matters before the commission.

The department has police powers to enforce the liquor laws. It inspects all liquor licensed premises to insure compliance with the liquor laws and the commission's rules and regulations. It investigates all alleged violations and complaints of alleged violations and reports all violations to the commission.

The department, upon request, provides instructions on the liquor laws and the commission's rules and regulations to the Police Department, to servers' classes, and to employees in liquor licensed premises.

Staff (as of June 30, 2015)

Gerald Rapozo	Director
Lorenzo Moises	Investigator IV
Cecilio Baliaris, Jr.	Investigator II
Jonathan Hoomanawanui	Investigator I
Kenneth Herman	Investigator I
Cherisse Zaima	Private Secretary
Clarence Sales	Senior Account Clerk

LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION

<u>June 30, 2014</u>	<u>For Term Expiring</u>
Gary Pacheco, Chair	December 31, 2014
Clifford Nakea, Vice Chair	December 31, 2014
Josephine Sokei	December 31, 2015
Pauline Ventura	December 31, 2015
Dane Oda	December 31, 2016
Paul Endo	December 31, 2016
Jean Iida	December 31, 2016

Liquor Control Commission Goals:

The goal of the Liquor Control Commission is to fairly enforce all provisions of Section 281 of the Hawaii Revised Statutes and the Rules and Regulations of the Liquor Control Commission of the County of Kauai.

Duties, Powers, and Functions of the Commission:

The basic function of the commission is to control, supervise, and regulate the manufacture, importation, and sale of liquor within the county.

Article XVI of the Charter of the County of Kauai states in part:

"Section 16.04. Powers and Duties of Commission. The liquor control commission shall:

- A. Adopt rules and regulations having the force and effect of law for the administration of liquor control in the county and to enforce the liquor control laws.
- B. Grant, refuse, suspend and revoke any license for the manufacture, importation and sale of liquors.
- C. Investigate violations of liquor control laws through its inspectors, hear and determine all complaints and citations regarding violations of liquor control laws and impose such fines or penalties as may be provided by law upon conviction thereof."

The commission meets on the first and third Thursdays of each month to carry out its duties and responsibilities. Special meetings are scheduled as needed.

### ADMINISTRATION

#### Program Description:

The administrative branch consists of the director, commission/department secretary and senior clerk. This branch provides services to the regulatory and enforcement branches, the liquor commission, as well as licensees and the general public.

#### Program Highlights:

The department received 195 applications for renewal of licenses for fiscal year 2013 - 2014. During the year, the commission issued 16 new licenses, 52 one-day transient vessel licenses, 20 special licenses, and 2 solicitor's permits. The commission approved 7 transfer of license applications.

### ENFORCEMENT BRANCH

#### Program Description:

The enforcement branch is comprised of a senior investigator who serves as the immediate supervisor, and field investigators who are responsible for conducting daily inspections and investigations on possible liquor law violations. They also assist the licensees to interpret and understand the liquor laws that regulate their particular operation.

Training sessions and workshops for servers of alcoholic beverages are being offered to all licensees. Public information sessions and presentations will be made available to the general public.

Inspections of liquor licensed premises are conducted daily by the liquor control investigators. Inspections are conducted to insure compliance with the laws and to assist licensees in preventing violations from occurring. The investigators made a total of 11,833 inspections during the year.

#### Program Highlights:

There were 30 violation reports filed, 95 field investigations conducted, and 107 warnings given to licensees by the investigators. Investigations include, but are not limited to license applications, special requests by licensees, and complaints. As a result of violation hearings, the commission collected a total of \$17,950 in fines.

The enforcement branch investigated 32 cases involving illegal liquor sales to minors and adults purchasing for minors. Investigators also conducted surveillances on 478 occasions.

REGULATORY BRANCH

Program Description:

The regulatory branch is primarily responsible for the licensing process, which involves applications for the fifteen classes of liquor licenses and collecting all mandatory information as required by State law and the liquor commission rules. The regulatory branch investigates all license applications before they are submitted to the commission for disposition. A total of 171 investigations on applications for liquor licenses were conducted during this fiscal year. The regulatory branch, in coordination with the enforcement branch, also processes citations for hearings before the commission.

PERSONNEL POSITION SUMMARY

<u>Position Title</u>	<u>FY 2013 E/P</u>	<u>FY 2014 E/P</u>	<u>FY 2015 E/P</u>
Director	--	1.0	1.0
Senior Clerk	1.0	1.0	--
Senior Account Clerk	--	--	1.0
Secretary	1.0	1.0	1.0
Liquor Control Investigator IV	1.0	1.0	1.0
Liquor Control Investigator III	1.0	1.0	--
Liquor Control Investigator II	1.0	1.0	1.0
Liquor Control Investigator I	1.0	1.0	2.0
Liquor Control Investigator Trainee	1.0	1.0	1.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>8.0</b>

Equivalent Personnel (E/P) = Full-time equivalents of full- and part-time personnel.

PROGRAM RESOURCES (LIQUOR FUND)

Expense Type	FY 2013 Actual	FY 2014 Appropriation	FY 2014		
			Request	Expansion	Total
Equivalent Personnel (E/P)	7.0	7.0	8.0	0.0	8.0
Salaries and Wages	\$468,889	\$ 539,168	\$ 543,886	\$0	\$ 543,886
Operations	447,131	666,363	697,758	0	697,758
Equipment	3,262	12,537	1	0	1
<b>Program Total</b>	<b>\$919,282</b>	<b>\$1,218,068</b>	<b>\$1,241,645</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,241,645</b>

APPLICATIONS FOR LIQUOR LICENSES 2014-2015

TYPE	Pending 6/30/14	Filed FY 2014 - 2015	Total Applications	Licenses Issued	Applications Withdrawn	Applications Denied	Applications Pending 6/30/15
RENEWALS		199	199	194			5
NEW	3	11	14	8			6
CHANGE OF LOCATION		1	1	1			
CHANGE OF CATEGORY							
TRANSFER		6	6	5			1
TEMPORARY (INCLUDES RENEWAL)		3	3	2			1
TRANSIENT VESSEL:							
ANNUAL		1	1	1			
2-DAY							
1-DAY		39	39	39			
SPECIAL:							
3-DAY GENERAL							
2-DAY GENERAL							
1-DAY GENERAL		10	10	10			
3-DAY BEER & WINE							
2-DAY BEER & WINE							
1-DAY BEER & WINE		2	2	2			
1-DAY BEER							
SOLICITOR'S PERMIT:							
GENERAL		1	1	1			
BEER & WINE							
TOTAL	3	273	276	263			13

LIQUOR LICENSES ISSUED

CLASS	KIND	As of 06/30//14	As of 06/30/15
WHOLESALE	GENERAL	6	6
	BEER & WINE	0	0
RETAIL DEALER	GENERAL	64	66
	BEER & WINE	13	13
RESTAURANT	GENERAL	78	77
	BEER & WINE	3	3
DISPENSER	GENERAL	14	15
	BEER & WINE	0	0
CABARET	GENERAL	1	1
CLUB	GENERAL	1	1
HOTEL	GENERAL	12	12
TOUR OR CRUISE VESSEL	GENERAL	8	8
TRANSIENT VESSEL (ANNUAL)	GENERAL	1	1
BREW PUB		2	2
MANUFACTURER	BEER	0	0
	WINE	1	1
	LIQUOR	2	2
TOTAL		206	208

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES  
FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015**

**LIQUOR FUND REVENUES:**

	<u>License</u>	<u>% Fees</u>	<u>Total</u>
Brewpub:	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 4,726.19	\$ 6,526.19
Cabaret:	\$ 600.00	\$ 2,711.56	\$ 3,311.56
Club:	\$ 240.00	\$ 1,666.11	\$ 1,906.11
Dispenser:			
General	\$ 6,720.00	\$ 42,808.04	\$ 49,528.04
Beer & Wine			
Hotel:	\$ 10,800.00	\$ 161,546.27	\$ 172,346.27
Manufacturer:			
Beer			
Wine	\$ 480.00	\$ 413.25	\$ 893.25
Other Liquors	\$ 1,296.00	\$ -	\$ 1,296.00
Restaurant:			
General	\$ 35,520.00	\$ 210,409.99	\$ 245,929.99
Beer & Wine	\$ 540.00	\$ 1,760.28	\$ 2,300.28
Retail:			
General	\$ 29,760.00	\$ 349,994.37	\$ 379,754.37
Beer & Wine	\$ 2,340.00	\$ 10,356.97	\$ 12,696.97
Tour or Cruise Vessel:	\$ 1,920.00	\$ 2,268.32	\$ 4,188.32
Transient Vessel:	\$ 900.00	\$ -	\$ 900.00
Wholesale:			
General	\$ 6,000.00	\$ -	\$ 6,000.00
Beer & Wine	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Special:			
General	\$ 420.00	\$ -	\$ 420.00
Beer & Wine			
Temporary:	\$ 180.00	\$ -	\$ 180.00
Solicitor's Permit:	\$ 360.00	\$ -	\$ 360.00
Direct Shipment:	\$ 6,636.00	\$ -	\$ 6,636.00
		<b>LIQUOR FUND REVENUES</b>	<b><u>\$ 895,173.35</u></b>

**OTHER LIQUOR REVENUES**

Filing Fees	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 2,200.00
Fines Imposed	\$ 17,950.00	\$ 17,950.00
Sale of Pamphlets	\$ 275.00	\$ 275.00
Miscellaneous	\$ -	\$ -
		<b>OTHER LIQUOR FUND REVENUES</b>
		<b><u>\$ 20,425.00</u></b>

**TOTAL 2014-2015 LIQUOR FUND  
REVENUES \$ 915,598.35**

**GROSS LIQUOR SALES AT CONSUMER LEVEL**

