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## Bulletin

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## Winery Shipper's License (Direct Shipping Permit)

**To: Illinois winery shipper's license holders**

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of recent changes; it does not replace  
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PA 99-904, effective January 1, 2017,  
amends the Liquor Control Act of 1934,  
235 ILCS 5/5-1, *et seq.*, with regard to third  
party providers shipping wine on behalf of  
an Illinois winery shipper's license holder. An  
affidavit is now included on the wine shipper's  
license application.



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The new law requires that a winery shipper's license holder submit the name and address of all third party providers authorized to ship wine on behalf of the license holder. A third party provider is any party, except a common carrier, which is authorized to ship wine on behalf of a first-class or second-class wine manufacturer's licensee, a first-class or second-class wine-maker's licensee, a limited wine manufacturer's licensee, or a person who is licensed to make wine under the laws of another state.

Third party providers must report by February 1st of each calendar year to the Illinois Liquor Control Commission a statement detailing each shipment made to Illinois residents. The first statement is due on February 1, 2018, for calendar year 2017. Third party providers acting on behalf of the license holders consent to the jurisdiction of the Commission and the State of Illinois.

PA 99-904 also creates an agency relationship between the third party provider and the winery shipper's license holder, whereby the third party provider acts as the agent of the license holder and the license holder is responsible for acts and omissions of the third party provider.