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Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board Returns Almost \$2.4 Million in Licensing Fees to Local Communities

Harrisburg – The Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board (PLCB) today announced the return of almost \$2.4 million in licensing fees to 1,382 municipalities in which licensees are located.

Twice a year, the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board returns the renewal or validation fees paid by licensees to the municipalities that are home to those liquor licenses. Though required by law, the Liquor Code does not specify how municipalities must allocate the returned money, giving local officials the flexibility to use it where it is needed most.

The PLCB oversees the regulation of more than 17,000 liquor licenses and permits statewide, including restaurants, clubs and beer distributors. As part of the annual license renewal or validation process, licensees and permittees pay a fee ranging from \$125 to \$700. That fee is based on the type of license and population of the municipality in which the license is located.

The current dispersal period represents fees paid from Feb. 1 to July 31, 2015. In all, 56 cities, 558 boroughs and 768 townships received funds ranging from \$25 to \$392,175.

To see the complete list of municipalities receiving fee distributions, visit www.lcb.state.pa.us or click on the link:

<http://www.lcb.state.pa.us/cons/groups/externalaffairs/documents/form/003154.pdf>

Over the last five years, the PLCB has returned more than \$22 million in licensing fees to local municipalities.

The PLCB regulates the distribution of beverage alcohol and also operates more than 600 wine and spirits stores statewide. Taxes and store profits are returned to Pennsylvania's General Fund. Since its inception, the PLCB has contributed nearly \$14 billion to the Pennsylvania Treasury. For more information about the Liquor Control Board, visit www.lcb.state.pa.us.

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