

March 12th, 2024

***RE: Support of H7842 and H7843***

To Chair McEntee,

On behalf of Shaidzon Beer Company, we are writing today in support of **1/6 keg bill H7842** and **Satellite taproom bill H7843**.

**1/6 keg bill H7842** would allow breweries like ours to sell one (1) 1/6 BBL to customers. The 1/6 BBL is within the allowed volume to sell off-premise. We are requesting it be allowed in a different packaging type than 12 or 16oz cans.

We are additionally in support of and **Satellite taproom bill H7843**, which would allow the holder of a manufacturer's license to apply for two (2) satellite taprooms located off the premises of the manufacturer and allow the manufacturer to transport beer, spirits or wine to the satellite taprooms. I have seen this in other cities and states nationwide and to great success. It helps the small brewery businesses grow - reaching an expanded audience - while also creating numerous job opportunities, increasing tax revenues for the municipalities and the state, and having a major impact of improvement in often neglected or run down areas.

Shaidzon Beer Company is six and a half years old. We are located in the village of West Kingston within the town of South Kingstown. We are a small, but growing craft brewery. Our growth allows for expansion, which we have done responsibly over every year of our existence. This will create more new jobs and drive more commerce year long. Approving these bills into laws will help ensure greater success for us and numerous other breweries that are also driving growth, beer tourism and overall commerce in jobs in Rhode Island

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,  
Charles Samson and Joshua Letourneau  
Owners