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ABL State & Local News Archive Now Available to Members

*Wide-Ranging Catalog of State & Local News Includes
Licensing & Regulatory Coverage*

January 24, 2018 – Bethesda, MD – As part of a growing effort to assist its state affiliate members with information and resources, American Beverage Licensees (ABL) announced today that it has launched a new [State & Local News Archive](#).

The archive provides ABL members with a repository of state and local news stories pulled from past issues of the *ABL Weekly*, ABL's weekly e-newsletter, and is the most recent addition to the content-rich members-only section of the association's website, www.ablusa.org.

For more than five years, ABL has brought *ABL Weekly* subscribers a wide-range of news stories on topics and issues specific to each state, including: licensing initiatives; regulatory developments; direct-to-consumer shipping; three-tier issues; marijuana legalization; Sunday sales; impaired driving; grocery and convenience store sales; mobile alcohol ordering and delivery; and more.

The archive currently contains all *ABL Weekly* state and local news stories from 2017, and will be updated on a regular basis to provide members with the latest news from their respective states.

"ABL is focused on addressing the needs of our state association members and one of those needs is for reliable news and information from other states where similar policy and regulatory debates are taking place," said ABL Executive Director John Bodnovich. "This archive is another resource that will assist ABL members as they interact with members of the media, state and local legislators, government agencies and state regulators."

In addition to the *State & Local News Archive*, ABL has released a [Policy News & Updates Archive](#), containing national and regional policy updates on such topics as music licensing, swipe fee reforms, BAC regulations, tax reform, and employment regulations.

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American Beverage Licensees is the preeminent national trade association for beverage alcohol retailers. Direct retail beverage alcohol sales in the United States generate as many as 1.94 million well-paying jobs. ABL's thousands of on-premise and off-premise licensee members are independent and often family-owned establishments. The beverage retailing industry pays over \$25.3 billion in federal taxes and \$18.36 billion in state and local taxes. To learn more about ABL, visit www.ablusa.org.