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MEMORANDUM OF SUPPORT

Senate Bill 315 (Skoufis)

AN ACT TO AMEND THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL LAW, IN RELATION TO ESTABLISHING A TEMPORARY NEW YORK CRAFT BEVERAGE PERMIT

Date: 2/3/2025

New York Farm Bureau, the state's largest agricultural advocacy organization, respectfully requests your support for this legislation. If enacted, this bill would authorize the State Liquor Authority to issue temporary permits to a licensed New York State farm distillery, brewery, winery, cidery or meadery operation.

This bill would allow farm distilleries, wineries, breweries, wineries, cideries and meaderies to obtain a 24-hour permit for outdoor and indoor gatherings or events located at municipalities with less than one million people. The application fee for this permit would be \$50. This legislation would encourage the growth of New York's craft beverage industry and would help the farm beverage industry expand their business opportunities while reaching new potential customers and serve as an additional source of revenue for the industry that is still recovering from the COVID-19 pandemic.

For these reasons, New York Farm Bureau requests your support of this legislation. Thank you for your time and consideration of these comments.