

ABC Board Updates

The Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Board held its regular meeting today, during which a few notable actions took place. We will be providing more detail during Thursday's industry call, but brief summaries are as follows:

- After receiving strong testimony and recommendations from our President & CEO, Sarah Oates, along with the Anchorage Downtown Partnership, the Municipality of Anchorage, and some industry members, the ABC Board approved a revised version of Form AB-15 which will allow for temporary changes and extensions to licensed premises (including to outdoor areas) for on-premises drinking and dining establishments, effective through November 15. The board agreed to some requested changes that should help expedite the process, and AMCO's goal is to have the form available on its website within 24 hours (Alaska CHARR will, of course, send you a direct link to the form once it's available).
- AMCO did announce that it is accepting, processing, and issuing applications for caterer's permits, which is a question that our team has received from some of you.
- AMCO and the ABC Board will be exploring options for licensees who are unable to meet minimum operating requirements due to COVID, which do not take away from waiver quotas or require expensive fees.

- The ABC Board approved a <u>revised newspaper policy</u> which specifies how advertising may be conducted to meet requirements for new and transfer license applications.
- The ABC Board voted to put some draft regulation projects out for public comment, and to table others. We will provide more information and direct links once the public comment periods have opened.
 - AMCO is still short-staffed with multiple vacancies. Please continue to be patient and respectful to the staff – we know from experience that they are working very hard to help you.

Industry Call Information

We will be hosting an industry call on **Thursday**, **June 11** at **10:00 AM**, featuring guest speaker Chad Estes, Tax Partner at BDO USA
He will be providing updates and available to answer questions about the Paycheck Protection Program Flexibility Act of 2020 (H.R.7010).
Sarah Oates, President & CEO of Alaska CHARR will also be providing updates and information from the recent ABC Board Meeting.

We would love to see your smiling face there!

Link to June 11 Call Invitation

Meeting ID: 831 7286 9243 Password: CHARR

or

Call in at 1-253-215-8782 Meeting ID: 831 7286 9243

Password: 8621210

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