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Director

# Montana Department of Revenue



**Brian Schweitzer**  
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## MEMORANDUM

To: Dan Bucks, Director

From: Shauna Helfert, Liquor Control Division Administrator

Date: July 27, 2010

Subject: New Liquor Licenses to be Published

We have received the estimated census for 2009 and accordingly, we have adjusted the liquor licensing quota for the state. Based on the census adjustments, we are required to give public notice for the licenses below, due to the increases in population. We will begin publishing during the month of August. If we receive more applications than licenses available, the lottery process will apply. We will hold the lottery the first of October.

**Billings: Three “Floater” All-Beverages licenses available and one New City Beer license available.** The successful candidate for a floater license has the opportunity to buy a license in another quota area that is over the quota limit and float it into the Billings area. Recent legislation requires gambling to be removed from these types of licenses. City Beer licenses issued after 1997 have gambling restrictions as well.

**Helena: One New City Beer license available and one Restaurant Beer and Wine available.** City Beer licenses issued after 1997 have gambling restrictions.

**Columbus: Two “Floater” All-Beverages licenses available and one New City Beer license available.** The successful candidate for a floater license has the opportunity to buy a license in another quota area that is over the quota limit and float it into the Columbus quota area. Recent legislation requires gambling to be removed from these types of licenses. City Beer licenses issued after 1997 have gambling restrictions.

**Fergus County: One New All-Beverages license available.**

**Hill County: One New All-Beverages license available.**