

THE COUNCIL OF STATE GOVERNMENTS

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THIS LETTER ALSO SENT TO SENATOR A. B. CHANDLER AND SENATOR ALEXANDER WILEY

April 8, 1940

Senator John E. Miller
Senate Office Building
Washington, D. C.

My dear Senators:

I am writing you with reference to Senate 2438 which I understand is before your Subcommittee of the Judiciary. This bill, which would prohibit "officers and employees of the United States from receiving payments of special taxes on liquor dealers and persons engaged in the business of selling liquors in violation of state laws", is of much interest to the various Commissions on Interstate Cooperation which are members of the Council of State Governments.

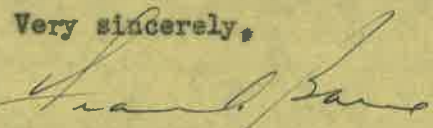
Legislation of this type was also recommended in principle by our Regional Conference on Liquor Control, which was held in Buffalo in January and attended by liquor commissioners and state legislators from eight states. Resolutions adopted at this conference are attached.

Because of the interest of various state officials in this question, we would appreciate it if you would notify us when you will hold a hearing on Senate 2438. At that time, we should like to arrange for the appearance of various state officials before your committee in support of the bill and an amendment thereto. The amendment which we have in mind would add the following phrase at the end of the bill (line eleven): "or not in conformity with state permits in such states where the sale of alcoholic beverages is legal".

Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Kindest personal regards.

Very sincerely,


Executive Director

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✓ cc to Senator Theodore G. Bilbo