LAW OF THE REPUBLIC OF LITHUANIA AMENDING ARTICLE 28 OF LAW NO I-857 ON ALCOHOL CONTROL

No of 2018 Vilnius

Article 1. Amendment of Article 28

Paragraph 1 of Article 28 is amended to read as follows:

- '1. It shall be prohibited for companies, European legal entities and their affiliates in the Republic of Lithuania to:
 - 1) give alcoholic beverages as a bonus, as an accessory to consumer goods or as a gift;
- 2) apply any fixed financial discounts for alcoholic beverages or to use coupons as other means of partial payment or payment-in-full in the case of coupon issuers who publish or otherwise distribute coupons in the mass media;
- 3) organise the distribution of samples of alcoholic beverages for free, except tastings at exhibitions and fairs;
- 4) organise games, promotions, contests or lotteries that would encourage people to purchase and/or consume alcoholic beverages;
- 5) sell specialised promotional publications for the sale of alcoholic beverages printed in the Republic of Lithuania or in foreign countries and imported into the Republic of Lithuania;
- 6) offer a chance for a buyer to win a prize or receive a gift or an accessory of alcoholic beverages immediately and/or within a certain period of time or after fulfilling certain conditions upon the conclusion of the sales contract;
 - 7) make announcements of reductions of prices for alcoholic beverages;
- 8) produce and/or sell food products, toys and other goods intended for children and adolescents which are designed to simulate alcoholic beverages and/or their packaging.'

Article 2. Entry into force and implementation of the Law

- 1. This Law, with the exception of paragraph (2) of this Article, shall come into force on 1 May 2019.
- 2. The Government of the Republic of Lithuania, or an institution authorised by it, shall enact executive legal instruments in respect of this law by 30 April 2019.

I hereby promulgate this law adopted by the Seimas (Lithuanian Parliament).

President of the Republic

This bill is introduced on behalf of the Seimas Committee on Health Affairs by Chairman of the Committee Asta Kubilienė