



# MICHIGAN LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION

The **Michigan Liquor Control Commission** was created by the Legislature in 1933 upon the repeal of Prohibition.

The **Michigan Constitution of 1963** and the **Liquor Control Code** empower the Commission to regulate alcoholic beverage traffic within the State of Michigan.

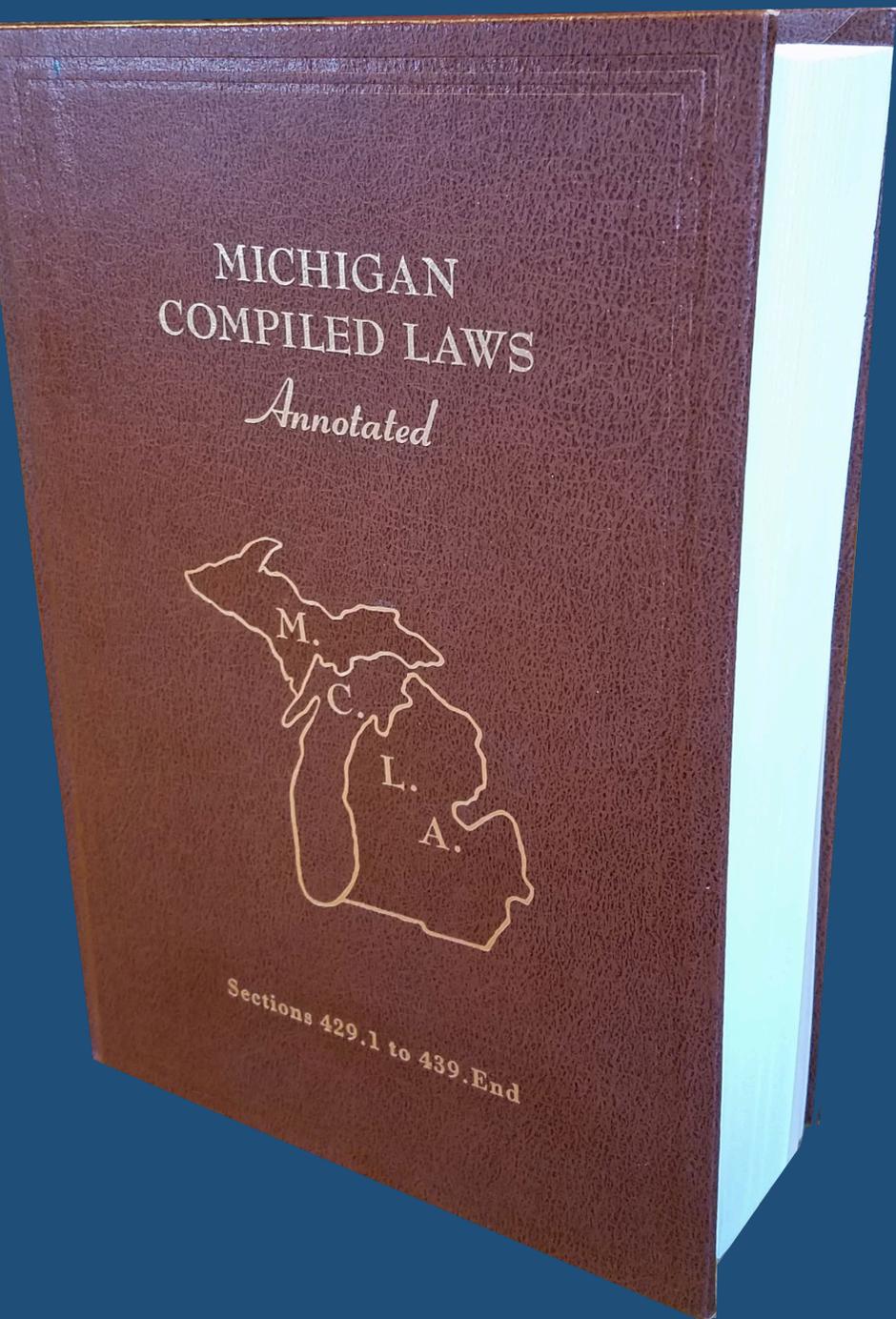


Under Article IV,  
Section 40 of the  
Michigan Constitution  
of 1963, **the  
Commission shall  
exercise complete  
control of the  
alcoholic beverage  
traffic within this state,**  
subject to statute.



The **Michigan Liquor Control Commission** is a **Type I agency** housed within the **Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA)**.

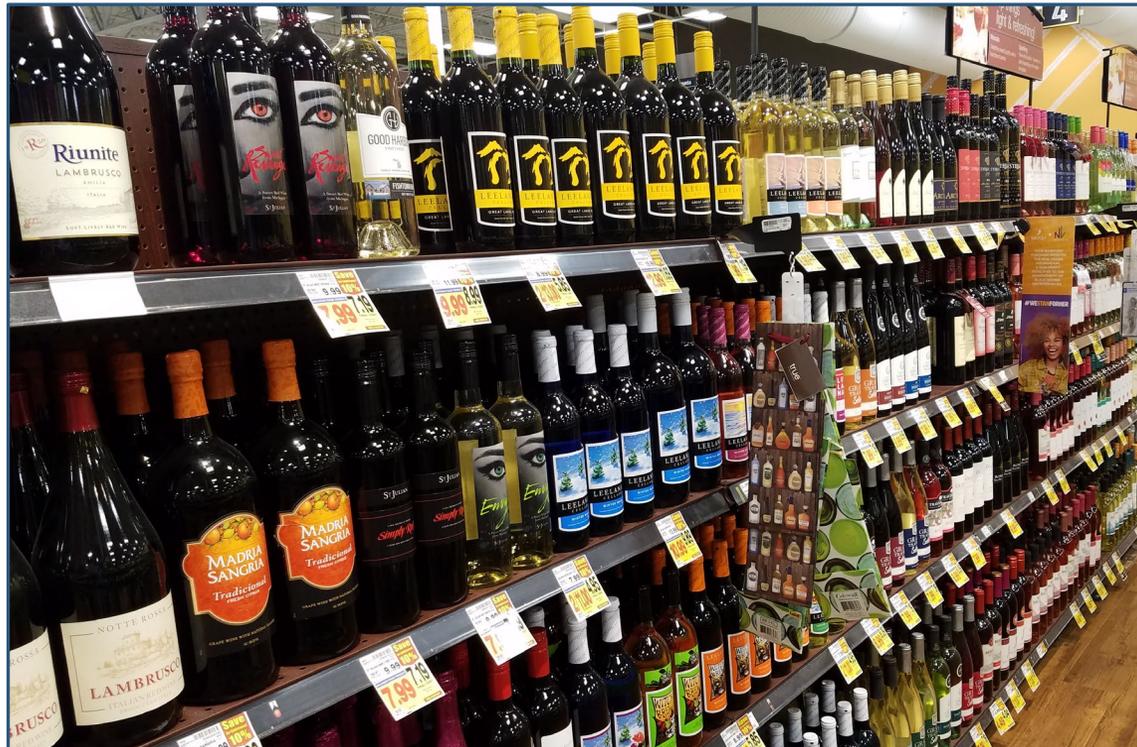




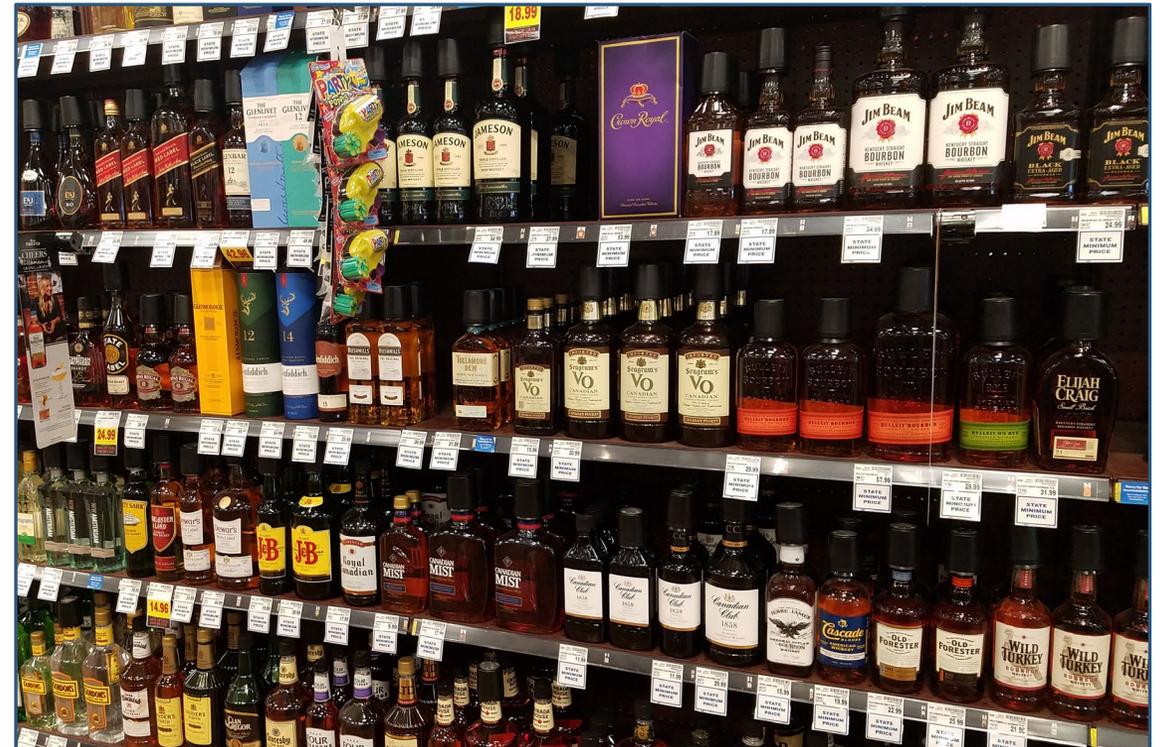
***This act shall be construed to effect the intent and purposes set forth in this act and to protect the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of this state.***

MCL 436.1925(1)

- Customers
- Choice



- Competition
- Control





MICHIGAN LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION  
LANSING, MICHIGAN

FY 2018

Date 2019

PAY TO THE ORDER OF

State of Michigan

\$466,713,482

DOLLARS

Michigan Liquor Control Commission



MICHIGAN LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION  
LANSING, MICHIGAN

FY 2019

Date 2020

PAY TO THE ORDER OF

State of Michigan

\$493,977,858

DOLLARS

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MICHIGAN LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION  
LANSING, MICHIGAN

FY 2020

Date 2021

PAY TO THE ORDER OF

State of Michigan

\$562,601,560

DOLLARS

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MICHIGAN LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION  
LANSING, MICHIGAN

FY 2021

Date 2022

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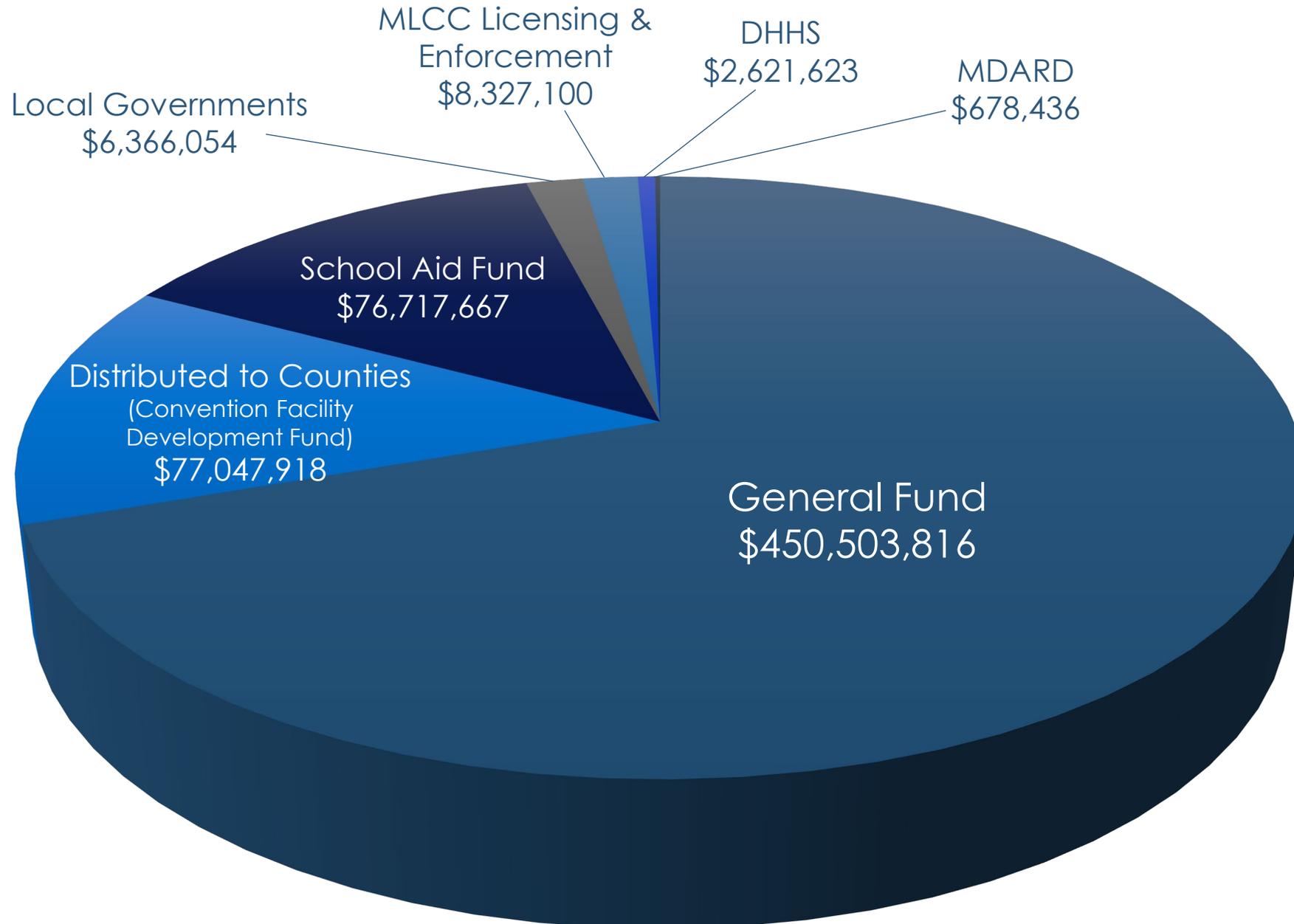
State of Michigan

\$622,262,614

DOLLARS

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# Distribution of Total Revenue Collected – Preliminary FY 21



The MLCC collected total revenue of **\$622,262,614** during Fiscal Year 2021

# FY 2022-23 Budget Request

\$600,000 additional for fully funding 145 FTE positions

The budgets for the past several years have authorized 145 FTEs, but only provided funding for 141 FTEs. This request would bring the total appropriation for MLCC staffing to \$22,201,500 for FY 2022-23.

## Special Licenses

Special Licenses are issued to non-profit organizations, local governmental units, and political campaign committees for the sale of alcohol related to a fundraising event.

Special Licenses are issued for a limited time frame within a 24-hour period.

A qualifying organization may obtain up to 12 Special Licenses in a calendar year.

## Special Licenses

MLCC staff review Special License applications for completeness and work with applicants to obtain missing documents and fees.

Staff prepares the applications for Commission consideration at the twice-weekly licensing meetings

The Commission approves or denies the Special License applications as required considering the requirements listed in R 436.1105(2).

## Special Licenses

Administrative Rule R 436.575 states that an applicant shall ensure that its application is received by the Commission not less than 10 days before the event. Despite this, many applications are received less than 10 days before an event. If a late application is missing documents or fees, there may not be enough time to obtain these items. Staff will still attempt to obtain the items to help the applicant get its license.

About 1% of Special Licenses are denied each year and most of these are because incomplete applications were submitted late and the missing items were not received by the MLCC.

# Special Licenses

Year	Approved	Denied	Percentage Denied
2017	8,169	71	0.9%
2018	8,232	134*	1.6%
2019	8,481	89	1%
2020	2,422**	21	0.9%
2021	4,848**	39	0.8%

\* There were a higher number of denials in 2018 due to several for-profit promotional companies that were attempting to obtain Special Licenses illegally by having non-profit organizations apply for the licenses in their names.

\*\* The number of Special Licenses declined in 2020 and 2021 due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

## Sales of Full Cases

The MLCC does not require retailers to order full cases of spirits.

The MLCC sent out an email to retailers in early January 2022 indicating that due to COVID-19, the Authorized Distribution Agents (ADA) that deliver spirits products were experiencing staffing shortages.

The email asked retailers to plan ahead for their spirits orders due to the staffing shortages. One suggestion was to order full cases instead of split cases so that licensees had adequate products on hand in case delivery issues arose.



## Questions?

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