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NCSLA 2014 Annual Conference Presents “*Deregulation by De-funding*”

2014 is a special year for NCSLA as they celebrate the 80th anniversary of the National Conference of State Liquor Administrators in San Antonio at the annual conference, June 16-20, 2014. Serving as conference host is the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission and Administrator Sherry Cook.

The annual conference theme is “**NCSLA – 80 Years: Just Getting Started.**” Over the course of four days the business agenda will cover a number of complex and diverse issues that have evolved over the decades.

Both state and federal alcohol agencies have experienced significant changes over the years for various reasons. As one state alcohol regulator has wryly noted, “We are being asked to do more with less but really that is turning into doing everything with nothing.” Join the panel “*Deregulation by De-funding*” on Thursday morning, June 19, for a historical look at budgets, where they are today and how best to fulfill the mission of the agencies. Industry-driven solutions to alcohol regulation will also be discussed.

Keith Burt, Director of the Oklahoma ABLE Commission, will be joined by Paul Pisano, Sr. Vice President Industry Affairs & General Counsel of the National Beer Wholesalers Association; Patrick Gagliardi, President, Gagliardi & Associates and former administrative commissioner of the Michigan Liquor Control Commission; and Susan Evans, Executive Liaison for Industry and State Matters, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau (TTB).

Only ten days remain before this year’s historic annual meeting of the NCSLA! There’s still time to register - visit www.ncsla.org today and act fast before it’s too late! Please note the room block is ***sold out*** at both the Westin Riverwalk and Sheraton Gunter hotels. Check the NCSLA website for suggestions on other nearby hotels. *Not a member of NCSLA?* Joining is easy - just complete the [online application form](#) and join us for this important conference in San Antonio!

About National Conference of State Liquor Administrators, Incorporated:

A national organization of state alcohol beverage regulators, founded June 19, 1934, in Chicago, Illinois, whose purposes are to promote the enactment of the most effective and equitable types of state alcoholic beverage control laws; devise and promote the use of methods which provide the best enforcement of the particular alcoholic beverage control laws in each state; work for the adoption of uniform laws insofar they may be practicable; promote harmony with the federal government in its administration of the Federal Alcohol Administration Act; and strive for harmony in the administration of the alcoholic beverage control laws among the several states. Visit www.ncsla.org for more information.