Brewvies files lawsuit against Utah alcohol board after 'Deadpool' citation

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This image released by Twentieth Century Fox shows Ryan Reyonlds, left, and Morena Baccarin in a scene from "Deadpool."

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Brewvies has sued the Utah Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (DABC) for <u>punishing the cinema pub</u> over serving alcohol during screenings of "Deadpool."

Earlier this month, the DABC cited Brewvies, which faces a fine of up to \$25,000 and potential revocation of its liquor license. Brewvies fired back Tuesday with a federal lawsuit filed in U.S. District Court of Utah, claiming that the theater's screening of the R-rated superhero movie is protected by the First Amendment.

On Feb. 26, undercover agents from the Utah Bureau of Investigation went to Brewvies. They ordered beer and entered the theater, according to their report.

The results of the investigation by one of the officers states: "The male and female characters are shown having sex while nude."

In another instance, according to the report, there is a brief scene of male full-frontal nudity.

The investigation narrative also includes the final credits where "a drawing of the main character (male) is shown as he rides on the back of a unicorn, he rubs its horn briefly until the horn shoots out rainbows (simulating orgasm)."

A DABC commission hearing is scheduled for later this month.

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