



## **H.B. 154**

125th General Assembly  
(As Introduced)

**Rep. Redfern**

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### **BILL SUMMARY**

- Reduces from 100,000 to 20,000 the minimum population of a municipal corporation required for the issuance of a D-5j liquor permit to a premises located in a community entertainment district located in that municipal corporation.

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### **CONTENT AND OPERATION**

Current law creates the D-5j liquor permit, which may be issued to the owner or operator of a retail food establishment or a food service operation licensed under the Retail Food Establishments and Food Service Operations Law. The holder of a D-5j permit may sell beer and intoxicating liquor (1) at retail, only by the drink in glass and from the container, for consumption on the premises where sold, and (2) for consumption off the premises where sold similar to the holders of D-1 (beer) and D-2 (wine and mixed beverages) permits. (R.C. 4303.181(J)(1).)

The D-5j permit can only be issued within a community entertainment district (see **COMMENT 1**) that a municipal corporation with a population of *at least 100,000* designates under procedures specified in current law. The bill lowers this population minimum from 100,000 to 20,000. (R.C. 4303.181(J)(2).)

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### **COMMENT**

1. "Community entertainment district" means a bounded area that includes or will include a combination of entertainment, retail, educational, sporting, social, cultural, or arts establishments within close proximity to some or all of the following types of establishments within the district, or other types of establishments similar to these: (a) hotels, (b) restaurants, (c) retail sales establishments, (d) enclosed shopping centers, (e) museums, (f) performing arts theaters, (g) motion picture theaters, (h) night clubs, (i) convention facilities, (j)

sports facilities, (k) entertainment facilities or complexes, or (l) any combination of the establishments described in items (a) through (k) that provide similar services to the community. (R.C. 4301.80(A), not in the bill.)

2. Current law prohibits (a) more than one D-5j permit from being issued within each community entertainment district for each five acres of land located within the district and (b) more than 15 D-5j permits from being issued within a single community entertainment district (R.C. 4303.181(J)(4)).

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## **HISTORY**

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