



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

Bill Analysis

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Sub. H.B. 491*

129th General Assembly

(As Reported by S. Insurance, Commerce & Labor)

Reps. Young and Kozlowski, Uecker, Yuko, Antonio, Ramos, J. Adams, R. Adams, Anielski, Baker, Barnes, Boose, Boyd, Brenner, Bulp, Buchy, Carney, Celebrezze, Damschroder, DeVitis, Dovilla, Driehaus, Duffey, Fedor, Foley, Garland, Gerberry, Goodwin, Grossman, Hall, Hottinger, Lundy, Lynch, Maag, Martin, McClain, Milkovich, Murray, O'Brien, Patmon, Phillips, Reece, Roegner, Ruhl, M. Slaby, Slesnick, Stebelton, Stinziano, Wachtmann, Williams, Winburn

BILL SUMMARY

- Designates the month of June as "Ohio Wines Month."
- Allows certain agency liquor stores to sell beer, wine, or mixed beverages for on- or off-premises consumption rather than only tasting samples of those alcoholic beverages as under current law.

CONTENT AND OPERATION

Ohio Wines Month

The bill designates the month of June as "Ohio Wines Month."¹

Sales of certain alcoholic beverages for on- or off-premises consumption by agency liquor stores

The bill allows agency liquor stores that have been issued a D-1, D-2, or D-5 liquor permit to sell beer, wine, or mixed beverages, as applicable, for on- or off-premises consumption. It then states that general consumption of beer, wine, or mixed

* This analysis was prepared before the report of the Senate Insurance, Commerce and Labor Committee appeared in the Senate Journal. Note that the list of co-sponsors and the legislative history may be incomplete.

¹ R.C. 5.2282.

beverages is not permitted in the area of the agency store in which spirituous liquor is sold.

Currently, such stores are allowed to only sell tasting samples of those alcoholic beverages. Tasting samples are small amounts of beer, wine, or mixed beverages that are provided in not more than four servings of not more than two ounces each to an authorized purchaser to determine, by tasting only, the quality and character of the beverages.²

HISTORY

ACTION	DATE
Introduced	03-27-12
Reported, H. Commerce & Labor	03-29-12
Passed House (94-0)	04-24-12
Reported, S. Insurance, Commerce & Labor	--

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² R.C. 4301.17(A)(3).

