



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

Synopsis of Senate Committee Amendments*

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Allows an A-1 liquor permit holder (beer manufacturer) to offer for sale tasting samples of beer manufactured on the premises.

Eliminates the restriction on the number of A-3a liquor permits (applicable to spirituous liquor manufacturers that may be issued per county and eliminates the prohibition against the issuance of an A-3a permit in a county with a population of more than 800,000.

Specifies that a new A-3a liquor permit issued after the bill's effective date is subject to local option election; authorizes an A-3a permit holder to offer tasting samples of spirituous liquor; and eliminates an inconsistency in current law regarding the A-3a permit fee.

Allows a D-5j liquor permit (applicable to community entertainment districts) to be issued to a retail food establishment or food service operation located in either of the following: (1) a municipal corporation that meets certain conditions related to population, date of incorporation, and other factors; or (2) a township that meets certain conditions related to population and financial investment.

Authorizes the D-5l liquor permit (applicable to revitalization districts) to be issued to the owner or operator of any business establishment, rather than only to a retail food establishment or a food service operation as in current law.

Removes a restriction in current law that provides that a D-5l permit may only be issued to a premise that has gross annual receipts from the sale of food and meals that constitute not less than 75% of its total annual gross receipts.

Increases the number of D-5l permits that may be issued within a single revitalization district from five to fifteen; and prohibits a D-5l permit from being issued to an adult entertainment establishment.

* This synopsis does not address amendments that may have been adopted on the Senate Floor.

Allows a D-8 liquor permit holder to dispense beer from containers that have a capacity equal to or greater than five and one-sixth gallons into glass growlers (containers not exceeding one gallon) for purposes of off-premises consumption if certain conditions are met.

Allows tasting samples of spirituous liquor to be sold at agency stores under certain conditions; requires the owner of an agency store to obtain a D-8 liquor permit authorizing the sale of spirituous liquor samples at the agency store; and establishes requirements and procedures governing the sale of such tasting samples.

Creates the F-9 liquor permit to be issued to a nonprofit corporation that operates a city park or provides or manages entertainment for a nonprofit corporation that operates a city park to allow the sale of beer and intoxicating liquor by the individual drink.

Establishes requirements governing the issuance of an F-9 liquor permit, and specifies that the permit may be issued only with respect to a park that is located in a county with a population between 1.1 and 1.2 million on the bill's effective date.

Allows a person to have in the person's possession on an F-9 liquor permit premises an opened or unopened container of beer or intoxicating liquor that was not purchased from the holder of the permit if certain conditions are met.

Eliminates a provision that limits the transfer of a C-1, C-2, D-1, D-2, D-3, D-4, or D-5 liquor permit from a municipal corporation or township to an economic development project located in another municipal corporation or township only if the transferor municipal corporation or township has exceeded its quota for such a permit.