



Substitute House Bill No. 6804

Public Act No. 05-134

AN ACT CONCERNING RESTAURANT SAFETY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) Not later than October 1, 2005, each food service establishment in the state shall acquire a sign that describes how to recognize the signs of choking and that addresses appropriate procedures to be taken if a patron of a food service establishment is choking. Such sign shall be conspicuously displayed in such food service establishment within an area where food operators and any other employee of a food service establishment can readily view such sign and such food operators and employees of such food service establishment shall become familiar with the contents of such sign. Nothing in this section shall be construed to apply to any catering food service establishment or any itinerant food vending establishment.

Sec. 2. Section 30-22 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) A restaurant permit shall allow the retail sale of alcoholic liquor to be consumed on the premises of a restaurant. A restaurant patron [may] shall be allowed to remove one unsealed bottle of wine for off-premises consumption provided the patron has purchased such bottle

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of wine at such restaurant and has purchased a full course meal at such restaurant and consumed a portion of the bottle of wine with such meal on [the] such restaurant premises. For the purposes of this section, "full course meal" means a diversified selection of food which ordinarily cannot be consumed without the use of tableware and which cannot be conveniently consumed while standing or walking. A restaurant permit, with prior approval of the Department of Consumer Protection, shall allow alcoholic liquor to be served at tables in outside areas which are screened or not screened from public view where permitted by fire, zoning and health regulations. If not required by fire, zoning or health regulations, a fence or wall enclosing such outside areas shall not be required by the Department of Consumer Protection. No fence or wall used to enclose such outside areas shall be less than thirty inches high. The annual fee for a restaurant permit shall be one thousand two hundred dollars.

(b) A restaurant permit for beer shall allow the retail sale of beer and of cider not exceeding six per cent of alcohol by volume to be consumed on the premises of a restaurant. The annual fee for a restaurant permit for beer shall be two hundred forty dollars.

(c) A restaurant permit for wine and beer shall allow the retail sale of wine and beer and of cider not exceeding six per cent of alcohol by volume to be consumed on the premises of the restaurant. A restaurant patron may remove one unsealed bottle of wine for off-premises consumption provided the patron has purchased a full course meal and consumed a portion of the bottle of wine with such meal on the restaurant premises. The annual fee for a restaurant permit for wine and beer shall be five hundred sixty dollars.

(d) Repealed by P.A. 77-112, S. 1.

(e) A partially consumed bottle of wine that is to be removed from the premises pursuant to subsection (a) or (c) of this section shall be

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securely sealed and placed in a bag by the permittee or permittee's agent or employee prior to removal from the premises.

(f) "Restaurant" means space, in a suitable and permanent building, kept, used, maintained, advertised and held out to the public to be a place where hot meals are regularly served, but which has no sleeping accommodations for the public and which shall be provided with an adequate and sanitary kitchen and dining room and employs at all times an adequate number of employees.

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