



House of Representatives

General Assembly

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Substitute House Bill No. 5229

House of Representatives, March 16, 2010

The Committee on General Law reported through REP. SHAPIRO of the 144th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT REQUIRING LAW ENFORCEMENT REPORTING OF THE SERVICE OF ALCOHOL TO MINORS.

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2010*) When the Commissioner
2 of Public Safety, a municipal police department or a constable of any
3 town completes an investigation regarding the serious injury or death
4 of a person under twenty-one years of age who has been served
5 alcoholic liquor by a person holding or acting on behalf of the holder
6 of a permit authorizing the sale of alcoholic liquor to the public
7 pursuant to title 30 of the general statutes, said commissioner, such
8 municipal police department or such constable shall notify the
9 Commissioner of Consumer Protection not later than one week after
10 the completion of such investigation. Such notification shall be in
11 writing and shall contain the name of such seriously injured or dead
12 person, the date and time of the alleged incident, the name and
13 address of such permit holder, and the outcome of the investigation.

14 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2010*) No person, firm,

15 partnership, association or corporation shall utilize an electronic
 16 pricing system to sell alcoholic liquor at retail unless such electronic
 17 pricing system requires a person to verify that such alcoholic liquor is
 18 not sold to a minor in violation of section 30-86 of the general statutes.
 19 For purposes of this subsection, "minor" means any person under
 20 twenty-one years of age and "electronic pricing system" means a
 21 system that utilizes a universal product coding bar code by means of a
 22 scanner in combination with a cash register to record and total a
 23 customer's purchases.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2010	New section
Sec. 2	October 1, 2010	New section

GL *Joint Favorable Subst.*

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

Law enforcement agencies would be able to comply with the bill's limited reporting requirements without requiring additional resources.

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State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

OLR Bill Analysis**sHB 5229*****AN ACT REQUIRING LAW ENFORCEMENT REPORTING OF THE SERVICE OF ALCOHOL TO MINORS.*****SUMMARY:**

This bill requires law enforcement officials to notify the Department of Consumer Protection (DCP) commissioner after completing an investigation of the serious injury or death of a person under age 21 who was served alcohol by a DCP permittee.

The bill also bans alcohol sales through an electronic pricing system that uses a universal product coding bar code scanner and cash register to record and total a customer's purchase, unless the system requires a person to verify that the purchaser is over age 21.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2010

NOTICE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION

The public safety commissioner, a municipal police department, or town constable must notify the DCP commissioner within one week after completing the investigation of the death or serious injury of anyone under age 21 who was served an alcoholic beverage by someone with, or acting on behalf of someone with, a permit to sell alcohol to the public. The notification must be in writing and contain the (1) name of the victim, (2) date and time of the alleged incident, (3) name and address of permit holder, and (4) outcome of the investigation.

COMMITTEE ACTION

General Law Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 17 Nay 0 (03/04/2010)