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SPONSOR STATEMENT FOR SB 15

“an Act relating to penalties for certain alcohol offenses involving persons under 21 years of age committed by a sex offender or a child kidnapper.”

Senate Bill 15 makes providing alcohol for those who are under 21 years of age by people with a history or background as a sex offender an aggravating offense.

If SB 15 is enacted, penalties could increase a violation to a Class B misdemeanor, a class A misdemeanor would be punishable as a class C felony and a class C felony goes to a class B felony.

Currently there are laws against those who would commit each crime separately. However, what is being discovered that those who are providing alcohol to people under 21 have the intent to commit a sexual offense. There have been instances where sex trafficking and sex offenses are preceded by providing alcohol to those under 21 years of age.