

Senate Bill 15, version A Sectional Analysis

"An Act relating to the sale of alcohol; relating to the posting of warning signs for alcoholic beverages; and providing for an effective date."

Section 1. Amends AS 04.09.210(c) - Restaurant or eating place license

Incorporates supervision of minor employees as a criteria of consideration when the board issues or renews a license.

Section 2. Amends AS 04.09.210(d) - Restaurant or eating place license

Authorizes the license holder to employ those aged 16 to 21 years but requires adequate supervision of employees who are 16 or 17 years of age, so they do not obtain alcoholic beverages.

Section 3. Amends AS 04.09.250(c) – Theater license

Expands the time period in which a theater license holder may sell or serve alcohol. Removes intermission language.

Section 4. Amends AS 04.09.360(c) – Seasonal restaurant or eating place tourism license

Repeat of Section 1 for the seasonal tourism license, incorporating supervision of minor employees as a criteria to be considered by the board during issuance or renewal of a license.

Section 5. Amends AS 04.09.360(f) – Seasonal restaurant or eating place tourism license

Repeat of Section 2 for the seasonal tourism license, authorizing 16–21-year-old employees, provided there is adequate supervision.

Section 6. Amends AS 04.09.450(d) – Restaurant endorsement

Repeat of Section 1 for the restaurant endorsement, incorporating supervision of minor employees as a criteria to be considered by the board during issuance or renewal of a license.

Section 7. Amends AS 04.09.450(e) – Restaurant endorsement

Repeat of Section 2 for the restaurant endorsement, authorizing 16–21-year-old employees, provided there is adequate supervision.

Section 8. Amends AS 04.16.049(d) – Access of persons under the age of 21 to licensed premises Allows those who are aged 18, 19, or 20 employed by a licensee to serve, sell, deliver, and dispense alcoholic beverages. Adds language to ensure that adult entertainment establishments are excluded.



Section 9. Amends AS 04.16.049(h) – Access of underage persons to licensed premises

Allows those aged 16 and over to be present unattended on the premises of a theater license holder or a large resort endorsement; those under 16 must be accompanied by a person who is at least 21 years of age, with the consent of their parent or legal guardian.

Section 10. Amends AS 04.16.049 – Access of persons under the age of 21 to licensed premises

Defines adult entertainment. These establishments may not take advantage of expanded employee allowances in Section 8.

Section 11. Amends AS 04.16.052(a) – Furnishing of alcoholic beverages to underage persons by licensees

Allows licensees or an agent or employee of the license to allow another person to sell, barter, or give an alcoholic beverage to a person under the age of 21 years only under the provisions in AS 04.16.049(d).

Section 12. Amends 04.21.065(b) – Posting of warning signs

Replaces the signs currently on display at alcohol vendors with one that reads "WARNING: Alcohol use during pregnancy can cause birth defects. Alcohol use can cause cancer, including breast and colon cancers."

Section 13. Repeals AS 04.09.250(d) – Theatre license

This is the portion of the theater license statute regarding where alcohol can be sold, served, and consumed within the theatre. With updates in Section 9, this line is no longer necessary.

Section 14. Effective date of July 1, 2025

