100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

235 ILCS 5/6-20

from Ch. 43, par. 134a

Amends the Liquor Control Act of 1934. Provides that the provisions of the Act prohibiting the possession and consumption of alcoholic liquor by a person under 21 years of age and dispensing of alcoholic liquor to a person under 21 years of age do not apply if the person under 21 years of age (1) is on premises where a restaurant is operated and the sale of alcoholic liquor is not the principal business carried out on those premises and (2) is under the direct supervision and approval of his or her parents or parent or those persons standing in loco parentis of the person under 21 years of age.

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1 AN ACT concerning liquor.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Liquor Control Act of 1934 is amended by 5 changing Section 6-20 as follows:

6 (235 ILCS 5/6-20) (from Ch. 43, par. 134a)

Sec. 6-20. Transfer, possession, and consumption of
alcoholic liquor; restrictions.

9 (a) Any person to whom the sale, gift or delivery of any 10 alcoholic liquor is prohibited because of age shall not 11 purchase, or accept a gift of such alcoholic liquor or have 12 such alcoholic liquor in his possession.

(b) If a licensee or his or her agents or employees believes or has reason to believe that a sale or delivery of any alcoholic liquor is prohibited because of the non-age of the prospective recipient, he or she shall, before making such sale or delivery demand presentation of some form of positive identification, containing proof of age, issued by a public officer in the performance of his or her official duties.

(c) No person shall transfer, alter, or deface such an
identification card; use the identification card of another;
carry or use a false or forged identification card; or obtain
an identification card by means of false information.

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(d) No person shall purchase, accept delivery or have
 possession of alcoholic liquor in violation of this Section.

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(e) The consumption of alcoholic liquor by any person under21 years of age is forbidden.

5 (f) Whoever violates any provisions of this Section shall
6 be guilty of a Class A misdemeanor.

7 (g) The possession and dispensing, or consumption by a 8 person under 21 years of age of alcoholic liquor in the 9 performance of a religious service or ceremony, or the 10 consumption by a person under 21 years of age under the direct 11 supervision and approval of the parents or parent or those 12 persons standing in loco parentis of such person under 21 years 13 of age in the privacy of a home, is not prohibited by this Act.

(h) The provisions of this Act prohibiting the possession of alcoholic liquor by a person under 21 years of age and dispensing of alcoholic liquor to a person under 21 years of age do not apply in the case of a student under 21 years of age, but 18 years of age or older, who:

(1) tastes, but does not imbibe, alcoholic liquor only during times of a regularly scheduled course while under the direct supervision of an instructor who is at least 21 years of age and employed by an educational institution described in subdivision (2);

(2) is enrolled as a student in a college, university,
 or post-secondary educational institution that is
 accredited or certified by an agency recognized by the

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1 United States Department of Education or a nationally 2 recognized accrediting agency or association, or that has a 3 permit of approval issued by the Board of Higher Education 4 pursuant to the Private Business and Vocational Schools Act 5 of 2012;

6 (3) is participating in a culinary arts, fermentation 7 science, food service, or restaurant management degree 8 program of which a portion of the program includes 9 instruction on responsible alcoholic beverage serving 10 methods modeled after the Beverage Alcohol Sellers and 11 Server Education and Training (BASSET) curriculum; and

12 (4) tastes, but does not imbibe, alcoholic liquor for 13 instructional purposes up to, but not exceeding, 6 times 14 per class as a part of a required course in which the 15 student temporarily possesses alcoholic liquor for 16 tasting, not imbibing, purposes only in a class setting on 17 campus and, thereafter, the alcoholic liquor is the possessed and remains under the control of the instructor. 18 19 (h-5) The provisions of this Act prohibiting the possession 20 and consumption of alcoholic liquor by a person under 21 years 21 of age and dispensing of alcoholic liquor to a person under 21 22 years of age do not apply if the person under 21 years of age 23 (1) is on premises where a restaurant is operated and the sale 24 of alcoholic liquor is not the principal business carried out 25 on those premises and (2) is under the direct supervision and approval of his or her parents or parent or those persons 26

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standing in loco parentis of the person under 21 years of age.

(i) A law enforcement officer may not charge or otherwise
take a person into custody based solely on the commission of an
offense that involves alcohol and violates subsection (d) or
(e) of this Section if the law enforcement officer, after
making a reasonable determination and considering the facts and
surrounding circumstances, reasonably believes that all of the
following apply:

9 10 (1) The law enforcement officer has contact with the person because that person either:

(A) requested emergency medical assistance for an
individual who reasonably appeared to be in need of
medical assistance due to alcohol consumption; or

14 (B) acted in concert with another person who 15 requested emergency medical assistance for an 16 individual who reasonably appeared to be in need of 17 medical assistance due to alcohol consumption; however, the provisions of this subparagraph (B) shall 18 19 not apply to more than 3 persons acting in concert for 20 any one occurrence.

(2) The person described in subparagraph (A) or (B) of
 paragraph (1) of this subsection (i):

(A) provided his or her full name and any other
relevant information requested by the law enforcement
officer;

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(B) remained at the scene with the individual who

reasonably appeared to be in need of medical assistance
 due to alcohol consumption until emergency medical
 assistance personnel arrived; and

4 (C) cooperated with emergency medical assistance 5 personnel and law enforcement officers at the scene.

6 (j) A person who meets the criteria of paragraphs (1) and 7 (2) of subsection (i) of this Section shall be immune from 8 criminal liability for an offense under subsection (d) or (e) 9 of this Section.

10 (k) A person may not initiate an action against a law 11 enforcement officer based on the officer's compliance or 12 failure to comply with subsection (i) of this Section, except 13 for willful or wanton misconduct.

14 (Source: P.A. 99-447, eff. 6-1-16; 99-795, eff. 8-12-16.)