95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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SB2472

Introduced 2/15/2008, by Sen. Mattie Hunter

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

235 ILCS 5/6-35

Amends the Liquor Control Act of 1934. Changes the definition of "alcopop" to include an energy drink containing alcohol or other stimulants, including, but not limited to caffeine, guarana, taurine, or ginseng. Provides that no entity shall sell alcopop beverages for consumption unless the alcopop beverage containers, cartons, wrappers, case, packaging, and labels contain or have imprinted on a sticker firmly affixed to the packaging that contains specific information. Sets forth the specific requirements for the content and format for the labeling of alcopop beverages. Provides that nothing in the provision shall be construed to be inconsistent with any other provision of State or federal laws, rules, or regulations regarding the labeling of alcoholic beverages. Makes other changes. Effective January 1, 2009.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

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 6-35 as follows:
- 6 (235 ILCS 5/6-35)

7 (This Section may contain text from a Public Act with a8 delayed effective date)

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Sec. 6-35. <u>Alcopops</u> Alcopop advertising.

For purposes of this Section, "alcopop" means a 10 (a) flavored alcoholic beverage or flavored malt beverage that 11 includes (i) a malt beverage containing a malt base or beer and 12 13 added natural or artificial blending material, such as fruit 14 juices, flavors, flavorings, colorings, or preservatives where such blending material constitutes .5% or more of the alcohol 15 16 by volume contained in the finished beverage; (ii) a beverage 17 containing wine and more than 15% added natural or artificial blending material, such as fruit juices, flavors, flavorings, 18 19 adjuncts, water (plain, carbonated, or sparkling), or 20 colorings, or preservatives; or (iii) a beverage containing 21 distilled alcohol and added natural or artificial blending 22 material, such fruit juices, flavors, flavorings, as colorings, or preservatives; or (iv) an energy drink containing 23

alcohol and other stimulants, including, but not limited to caffeine, guarana, taurine, or ginseng.

3 (b) No entity may advertise, promote, or market any alcopop 4 beverages toward children. Advertise, promote, or market 5 includes, but is not limited to the following:

6 (1) the use of cartoons and youth-orientated photos in 7 advertising, promotion, packaging, or labeling of alcohol 8 products;

9 (2) sponsorships of athletic events where the intended10 audience is primarily children;

(3) billboards advertising alcopops placed within 500 feet of schools, public parks, amusement parks, and places of worship; and

14 (4) the display of any alcopop beverage in any
15 videogame, theater production, or other live performances
16 where the intended audience is primarily children.

17 (c) No entity shall sell alcopop beverages for consumption 18 unless the alcopop beverage containers, cartons, wrappers, 19 case, packaging, and labels contain or have imprinted on a 20 sticker firmly affixed to the packaging the following:

21 <u>(1) the words "alcoholic beverage" or "contains</u> 22 <u>alcohol";</u>

(2) the alcohol content of the beverage; and
 (3) the statement, "It is a violation punishable under
 law for any person under the age of 21 years to attempt to
 purchase or consume an alcoholic beverage".

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1	(d) The word	ls on the sticker required by subsections	(c)(1)
2	through (3) of this Section must appear:		
3	(1) in capital letters and bold type;		
4	(2) on t	he front of the container and outer pack	aging;
5	<u>(</u> 3) para	allel to the base of the container and	d outer
6	packaging;		
7	<u>(</u> 4) in a	format that is readily legible;	
8	(5) in a solid, contrasting background;		
9	<u>(6)</u> sep	parate and apart from any descript	ive or
10	explanatory information; and		
11	<u>(</u> 7) in tl	he following type sizes:	
12	<u>(</u> i)	a minimum of 3 millimeters wide	and <u>3</u>
13	millimet	ters high for containers of 16 fluid ou	nces or
14	less;		
15	<u>(ii)</u>	a minimum of 4 millimeters wide	and <u>3</u>
16	millimeters high for containers larger than 16 fluid		
17	ounces; and		
18	<u>(iii</u>	a minimum of 4 millimeters wide	and 3
19	millimeters high for outer packaging.		
20	<u>(e)</u> (e) Any j	person who violates this Section is guil	ty of a
21	business offense and shall be fined \$500 for a first offense		
22	and \$1,000 for a second or subsequent offense.		
23	(f) Nothing in this subsection 6-35 shall be construed to		
24	be inconsistent with any other provision of this Section or any		
25	other State or federal laws, rules, or regulations regarding		
26	the labeling of a	alcoholic beverages.	

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1 (Source: P.A. 95-618, eff. 6-1-08.)

2 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect January 3 1, 2009.