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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 1793

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 1793 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Liquor Control Act of 1934 is amended by
5 changing Section 6-24a and by adding Section 6-24B as follows:

6 (235 ILCS 5/6-24B new)

7 Sec. 6-24B. Display of adolescent warning signs.

8 (a) The General Assembly finds that there is a need for
9 public information about the risk of excessive alcoholic liquor
10 consumption, specifically with regard to persons under the age
11 of 21. The United States Surgeon General has found that all
12 levels of government have a responsibility to develop and
13 implement appropriate policies that facilitate safe adolescent
14 development, protect against underage alcohol use and its
15 consequences, and avoid creating unacceptable risks around
16 alcohol use. Since excessive alcoholic liquor consumption and

1 underage alcohol consumption are preventable, the General
2 Assembly finds that it is in the public interest to provide
3 warnings about the risks of underage alcohol consumption at
4 places where alcoholic liquor is sold.

5 (b) Every holder of a retail license, whether the licensee
6 sells or offers for sale alcoholic liquors for use or
7 consumption on or off the retail license premises, shall cause
8 a sign with the message "GOVERNMENT WARNING: ACCORDING TO THE
9 SURGEON GENERAL, ADOLESCENTS SHOULD NOT DRINK ALCOHOLIC
10 BEVERAGES BECAUSE OF THE RISK OF DEATH, HIV, UNPLANNED
11 PREGNANCY, PHYSICAL AND SEXUAL ASSAULT, AND BRAIN DAMAGE. IF
12 YOU NEED ASSISTANCE, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE OF ALCOHOLISM AND
13 SUBSTANCE ABUSE (OASA) AT 1-800-843-6154" to be framed and hung
14 in plain view. These signs shall be no larger than 8 1/2 inches
15 by 11 inches.

16 (c) In the event that there is no warning sign posted on
17 the retailer's premises, it shall be the responsibility of the
18 Illinois Liquor Control Commission to furnish the retailer with
19 a warning sign. The retailer shall have 30 days from receipt of
20 the warning sign to post it on the licensed premises.
21 Thereafter, a retailer who violates this Section is subject to
22 a written warning for the first violation. For a second or
23 subsequent violation, the retailer shall pay a fine of at least
24 \$40 but not more than \$200 for each such violation. For the
25 third and subsequent violations, each day the activity
26 continues shall be a separate violation."