



House Bill 674 Things to Know

H.B. 674, which was recently passed into law, made some changes to Ohio's liquor laws. The Division wants to clarify for Ohio permit holders what has and has not changed. To begin, it is important to know this law does not go into effect **UNTIL** April 7, 2021. Furthermore, while earlier versions of this law included proposed changes to Sunday Sales and extending hours of sale to 4 a.m. or 24 hours, these proposed changes were **NOT** part of the law that was recently enacted into law. Therefore, nothing has changed regarding the process or need for D-6 permits. A copy of the as-enrolled legislation can be found at legislature.ohio.gov.

Below is information the Division would like share about what we know regarding House Bill 674:

Delivery of Liquor:

Gives the Division of Liquor Control the ability to establish a process for the delivery of high proof spirituous liquor to personal consumers. Before delivery can begin, the Division will develop processes which are compatible with the current inventory sales platform and which also support delivery in a safe, responsible manner.

Spiritous Liquor Pods:

Allows spiritous liquor pods to be sold as a mixed beverage by retail permit holders.

A spiritous liquor pod is defined as a sealed capsule with a flavorful liquid having an ABV range between 17% and 48%. When the pod is mixed with water it produces an alcoholic beverage that contains an ABV of 21% or less.

On-Premise Consumption in Restricted Areas of Airports:

Enables airport with a D-5d liquor permit to expand on premise consumption to areas where flights are departing and arriving when specific requirements are met.

Microbreweries Retail Food License Exemption:

Removes the requirement microbreweries obtain a retail food establishment license from their local board of health if certain requirements are met, including serving prepackaged meals, nonalcoholic beverages and maintaining a food truck schedule.

Temporary Permits:

Creates a temporary F-11 permit intended for non-profit organizations to sell beer at an event when at least 20 A1A permit holders (craft breweries) participate in the event. The permit is effective for 72 hours, unless for an expo at the Ohio Expo Center & State Fair. Non-profits are limited to six F-11 permits per year. The permit fee is \$60 per day of the event.

The F-12 permit enables organizations, such as labor unions or charitable organizations, to sell beer and wine at special functions. The permit is valid for 90 days and can be purchased once a year. The permit fee is \$500.

The legislation also permits manufactures to rent or lease property to an F class permit holder for purposes of an event for which an F class permit has been issued.