

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1768

Sponsor: REPRESENTATIVE BENHAM

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1 Amend Bill, page 1, line 18, by inserting after "reports"
2 ; and making an interfund transfer

3 Amend Bill, page 2, line 18, by striking out "prepare a
4 report" and inserting
5 provide information, statistics and data

6 Amend Bill, page 2, lines 20 and 21, by striking out "report
7 shall be prepared annually" and inserting
8 information shall be part of the board's annual financial
9 report

10 Amend Bill, page 2, lines 22 through 30; page 3, lines 1
11 through 3; by striking out all of said lines on said pages and
12 inserting

13 (1) Current levels and trends of underage alcohol drinking
14 and high-risk college alcohol drinking in this Commonwealth.

15 (2) Current programs conducted by State agencies to prevent
16 underage alcohol drinking and high-risk college alcohol
17 drinking.

18 (3) Current science that better defines and suggest proven
19 prevention strategies for underage alcohol drinking and high-
20 risk college alcohol drinking.

21 (4) Grants the Bureau of Alcohol Education has awarded to
22 address alcohol education and public safety.

23 (b) (1) On February 1 of each calendar year, the State
24 Treasurer shall transfer two million five hundred thousand
25 dollars (\$2,500,000) from the State Stores Fund into a
26 restricted account established in the State Treasury. Money in
27 the restricted account shall be appropriated to the board on a
28 continuing basis for the purposes of awarding grants under
29 paragraph (2).

30 (2) The following shall apply:

31 (i) The board shall use the money appropriated under
32 subsection (b) to establish a program in the Bureau of Alcohol

1 Education to provide grants to saturated municipalities to
2 address health, welfare and safety issues associated with the
3 sale and distribution of alcohol. Grants may be used to pay for
4 staffing costs for a municipal police department or regional
5 police force in areas surrounding licensed establishments,
6 security cameras, extra street lighting, technology enhancements
7 for public safety, community violence prevention and municipal
8 public safety. A grant may not exceed one hundred thousand
9 dollars (\$100,000) for a saturated municipality.

10 (ii) To qualify for a grant under subparagraph (i), a
11 saturated municipality must demonstrate need and must have a
12 municipal police department or regional police force or contract
13 with a municipal police department.

14 (iii) The board may use an amount equal to two percent (2%)
15 of the amount awarded in grants under the program for expenses
16 associated with administering the program.

17 (iv) Within eighteen (18) months of receiving a grant under
18 this subsection, a saturated municipality shall provide a report
19 to the board on the impact of the grant.

20 (v) The board shall post a list of municipalities that are
21 saturated municipalities under this subsection on the publicly
22 accessible Internet website of the board. The board shall update
23 the list annually.

24 (vi) As used in this subsection, the term "saturated
25 municipality" shall mean a municipality in which the total
26 number of existing restaurant liquor licenses and eating place
27 retail dispenser licenses subject to the quota restrictions
28 specified under section 461 are equal to or exceed one license
29 per one thousand (1,000) inhabitants or exceed ten (10).