THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

1768 Session of 2023

INTRODUCED BY BENHAM, HILL-EVANS, MADDEN, SANCHEZ AND DEASY, OCTOBER 17, 2023

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LIQUOR CONTROL, OCTOBER 17, 2023

AN ACT

Amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), entitled "An act relating to alcoholic liquors, alcohol and malt and 2 brewed beverages; amending, revising, consolidating and 3 changing the laws relating thereto; regulating and 4 restricting the manufacture, purchase, sale, possession, 5 consumption, importation, transportation, furnishing, holding 6 in bond, holding in storage, traffic in and use of alcoholic liquors, alcohol and malt and brewed beverages and the 7 8 persons engaged or employed therein; defining the powers and 9 10 duties of the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board; providing for the establishment and operation of State liquor stores, 11 for the payment of certain license fees to the respective 12 municipalities and townships, for the abatement of certain 13 nuisances and, in certain cases, for search and seizure 14 without warrant; prescribing penalties and forfeitures; 15 providing for local option, and repealing existing laws," in 16 Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board, further providing for 17 biennial reports. 18 19 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 20 hereby enacts as follows: 21 Section 1. Section 217 of the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, 22 No.21), known as the Liquor Code, is amended to read: 23 Section 217. [Biennial Reports. -- (a) The board's Bureau of 24 Alcohol Education shall prepare a report on underage alcohol 25 drinking and high-risk college alcohol drinking in this

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Commonwealth.

- 1 (b) A report shall be prepared biennially and shall address
- 2 the following:
- 3 (1) Current levels and trends of underage alcohol drinking
- 4 and high-risk college alcohol drinking in this Commonwealth.
- 5 (2) Current programs conducted by State agencies to prevent
- 6 underage alcohol drinking and high-risk college alcohol
- 7 drinking.
- 8 (3) Current science that better defines and suggests proven
- 9 prevention strategies for underage alcohol drinking and high-
- 10 risk college alcohol drinking.
- 11 (c) The first report to the General Assembly shall be
- 12 presented prior to February 1, 2007. Additional reports shall be
- 13 presented every two years thereafter. A copy of the report shall
- 14 be sent to the chairman and the minority chairman of the Law and
- 15 Justice Committee of the Senate and the chairman and the
- 16 minority chairman of the Liquor Control Committee of the House
- of Representatives.] <u>Duties of Bureau of Alcohol Education.--(a)</u>
- 18 The board's Bureau of Alcohol Education shall prepare a report
- 19 on underage alcohol drinking and high-risk college alcohol
- 20 drinking in this Commonwealth. The report shall be prepared
- 21 annually and shall address the following:
- 22 (1) Current levels and trends of underage alcohol
- 23 <u>drinking and high-risk college alcohol drinking in this</u>
- 24 Commonwealth.
- 25 (2) Current programs conducted by State agencies to
- 26 prevent underage alcohol drinking and high-risk college
- 27 alcohol drinking.
- 28 (3) Current science that better defines and suggest
- 29 proven prevention strategies for underage alcohol drinking
- and high-risk college alcohol drinking.

- 1 (4) Grants the Bureau of Alcohol Education has awarded
- 2 <u>to address alcohol education and public safety.</u>
- 3 <u>(b) Reserved.</u>
- 4 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.