

State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 908

HOUSE BILL NO. 2594

By Representatives Jernigan, Lamberth, Eldridge, Littleton, Stewart, Mitchell, Clemmons, Hulsey, Powell, Sanderson, Ramsey, Miller

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 2360

By Senator Dickerson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-1-201; Section 57-3-204; Section 57-3-704; Section 57-3-706; Section 57-3-818 and Title 57, Chapter 5, Part 6, relative to penalties enforced by the alcoholic beverage commission.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-1-201(b)(1)(A), is amended by adding the following language as a new subdivision (i) and by redesignating all subsequent subdivisions accordingly:

(i) Five hundred dollars (\$500) for servers permitted under § 57-4-203(h) and the Alcohol Server Responsibility and Training Act of 1995, compiled in chapter 3, part 7, of this title;

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-3-704, is amended by adding the following language as new, appropriately designated subsections:

(f) The commission may suspend or revoke a server permit for any violation of this title or any rule or regulation promulgated by the commission committed by the permit holder. The commission may, in lieu of suspending or revoking a server permit under this subsection (f), require the server to retake and successfully complete a program of alcohol awareness training conducted by an entity certified by the commission.

(g)

(1) Any employee, representative, or agent of a permittee whose duties include verifying that a person is twenty-one (21) years of age or older for the purpose of authorizing the person access to the premises of the permittee shall, during any period in which the employee, representative, or agent is required to verify that a person is twenty-one (21) years of age or older, require each person seeking access to the premises whose physical appearance does not reasonably demonstrate an age of fifty (50) years or older to present a valid, government-issued document or other acceptable form of identification that includes the photograph and birth date of the person.

(2) The commission may impose a fine of five hundred dollars (\$500) against any employee, representative, or agent of a permittee who violates subdivision (g)(1).

(3) As used in this subsection (g):

(A) "Employee, representative, or agent" does not include a server permitted under § 57-4-203(h) and the Alcohol Server Responsibility and Training Act of 1995, compiled in chapter 3, part 7, of this title; and

(B) "Permittee" means any person, business, or other entity issued a permit under chapter 4 of this title for the purpose of authorizing the sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages on the premises of the permittee.

HB 2594

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

HOUSE BILL NO. 2594

PASSED: April 19, 2016

BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

RON PAMSEY SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

day of APPROVED this ____ 2016

BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR