

SENATE BILL No. 23

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Synopsis: Alcoholic beverage permits for county fairs.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning alcohol and tobacco.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 7.1-3-16-9, AS AMENDED BY P.L.153-2015,
2 SECTION 11, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 9. The holder of a temporary wine permit
4 shall be entitled to purchase and receive wine **or mixed beverages (as**
5 **defined in IC 7.1-1-3-26.2)** on any day of the year, only from a lawful
6 supplier under this title at his place of business. A lawful supplier may
7 sell and deliver wine **or mixed beverages (as defined in**
8 **IC 7.1-1-3-26.2)** to a temporary wine permit holder on any day of the
9 year at his place of business. Except as provided in IC 7.1-3-6.1 and
10 IC 7.1-3-6.2, the holder of a temporary wine permit shall be entitled to
11 sell wine **or mixed beverages (as defined in IC 7.1-1-3-26.2)** only for
12 consumption on the licensed premises, and shall be subject to the same
13 restrictions as apply to the sale of beer by the holder of a temporary
14 beer permit. Except as provided in IC 7.1-3-6.1 and IC 7.1-3-6.2, a
15 temporary wine permittee shall not be entitled to sell at wholesale nor

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1 for carry-out from the licensed premises.

2 SECTION 2. IC 7.1-3-21-14.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
 3 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
 4 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026]: Sec. 14.5. (a) As used in this section,
 5 "local board" means the board of directors of an agricultural fair
 6 society, association, or corporation that is organized under
 7 IC 15-14-5.

8 (b) The commission may issue a permit for the sale of alcoholic
 9 beverages on the grounds of a county fair conducted by a local
 10 board to the local board, if one (1) of the following applies:

11 (1) If the grounds of the county fair are owned by a local
 12 board, upon the request of the local board.

13 (2) If the grounds of the county fair are owned by a unit (as
 14 defined in IC 36-1-2-23), upon the approval of the legislative
 15 body (as defined in IC 36-1-2-9) of the unit and upon the
 16 request of the local board.

17 (c) A permit issued under subsection (b) is subject to the
 18 following:

19 (1) The permit is valid for the scheduled dates of the county
 20 fair.

21 (2) The local board is entitled to sell alcoholic beverages on
 22 the county fair grounds to consumers by the glass.

23 (3) The local board is entitled to permit multiple vendors
 24 with separate permits at different locations on the county
 25 fair grounds to sell alcoholic beverages to consumers by the
 26 glass.

27 (4) The permit is not subject to the quota restrictions under
 28 IC 7.1-3-22-3.

29 (5) The local board is entitled to allow a minor to be present
 30 in the locations on the county fair grounds where alcoholic
 31 beverages are sold.

32 (d) A local board issued a permit under subsection (b) must
 33 comply with the following requirements:

34 (1) File a floor plan of the premises where alcoholic
 35 beverages will be served and consumed with the commission.

36 (2) Provide that service of alcoholic beverages may be
 37 performed only by servers certified under IC 7.1-3-1.5.

38 (3) Allow sales during the times prescribed under
 39 IC 7.1-3-1-14.

40 (4) Prohibit sales prohibited under IC 7.1-5-10-1.

41 (5) Operate under the rules adopted by the commission to
 42 protect the public interest under IC 7.1-1-1.



1 SECTION 3. **An emergency is declared for this act.**

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