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## SENATE BILL No. 23

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**Synopsis:** Alcoholic beverage permits for county fairs.

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## SENATE BILL No. 23

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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for carry-out from the licensed premises.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



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

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