

2019 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 247

BY REPRESENTATIVE ARMES

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES: Provides for use by licensed retail dealers of a real-time age verification system authorized by the commissioner

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 26:90(A)(1)(a) and 286(A)(1)(a), relative to licensed retail
3 dealers of alcoholic beverages; to provide licensed retail dealers of alcoholic
4 beverages an alternative method of verifying age; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 26:90(A)(1)(a) and 286(A)(1)(a) are hereby amended and reenacted
7 to read as follows:

8 §90. Acts prohibited on licensed premises; suspension or revocation of permits

9 A. No person holding a retail dealer's permit and no agent, associate,
10 employee, representative, or servant of any such person shall do or permit any of the
11 following acts to be done on or about the licensed premises:

12 (1)(a) Sell or serve alcoholic beverages to any person under the age of
13 twenty-one years, unless such person submits any one of the following means of
14 identification or a similar means of verification provided through use of a real-time
15 age verification system authorized by the commissioner:

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17 §286. Acts prohibited on licensed premises; suspension or revocation of permits

18 A. No person holding a retail dealer's permit and no servant, agent, or
19 employee of the permittee shall do any of the following acts upon the licensed
20 premises:

(1)(a) Sell or serve beverages of low-alcoholic content to any person under the age of twenty-one years, unless such person submits any one of the following means of identification or a similar means of verification provided through use of a real-time age verification system authorized by the commissioner:

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides alternative means of verifying that a person is twenty-one years or older for the purpose of selling or serving alcoholic beverages.

Present law provides a list of certain types of identification to be used for verifying the age of persons when selling or serving alcoholic beverages.

Proposed law retains the present law list of certain types of identification and provides an alternative method (real-time verification) that may be used to verify the age of persons when selling or serving alcoholic beverages. Requires the commissioner of ATC to authorize the real-time age verification system.

(Amends R.S. 26:90(A)(1)(a) and 286(A)(1)(a))