

SB 616 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Sen. Bonham, Sen. Prozanski

Senate Committee On Labor and Business

Action Date: 02/02/23

Action: Do pass.

Vote: 5-0-0-0

Yeas: 5 - Bonham, Hansell, Jama, Patterson, Taylor

Fiscal: No fiscal impact

Revenue: Has minimal revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 1/26, 2/2

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Increases from two to five the number of cases of cider or malt beverages, containing not more than 9 liters per case, that a holder of a direct shipper permit may ship to an Oregon resident per month.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Verification of age process
- Mechanics of delivering wine, cider, or malt beverages
- Statutory change equalizes shipping amounts between wine and cider or malt beverages
- Need for other legislation to address delivery regulation

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Oregon law requires a person to obtain a direct shipper permit to sell and ship malt beverages, wine, or cider directly to an Oregon resident. A person who makes such a direct shipment without having a direct shipper permit commits a Class A misdemeanor. A direct shipper permit holder may use third-party carriers to deliver the malt beverages, wine, or cider. Any person or carrier making these deliveries is prohibited from knowingly or negligently delivering the malt beverages, wine, or cider to persons under age 21 or to persons who are visibly intoxicated.

There are also limits on the amount of malt beverages, wine, or cider that may be shipped. Currently, the holder of a direct shipper permit may only ship up to two cases of cider or malt beverages that contain not more than nine liters per case and up to five cases of wine that contain not more than nine liters per case per month. Senate Bill 616 modifies existing law by allowing a direct shipper permit holder to ship up to five cases of cider or malt beverages, containing not more than nine liters per case, per month.