



**ARIZONA STATE SENATE**  
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**REVISED**  
**FACT SHEET FOR H.B. 2031**

liquor purchases; other state identification

Purpose

Allows a person purchasing alcohol to verify their age with an unexpired, out-of-state driver license issued before their 21st birthday and used 30 days after the person turns 21.

Background

Laws 2014, Chapter 253 § 26 prohibits a person from using as age verification when purchasing alcohol 30 days after the person turns 21, a driver license or nonoperating identification license issued prior to the individual's 21st birthday. In Arizona, a driver license issued prior to the individual's 21st birthday must display the year in which the person turns 21 and be marked by a color, code or design that immediately distinguishes it from other licenses.

An Arizona driver license must display: a) a distinguishing number assigned to the licensee; b) the license class; c) any endorsements; d) the licensee's full name, date of birth and residence address; e) a brief description of the licensee; and f) the licensee's signature (A.R.S. § 28-3166). H.B. 2031 permits a *substantially equivalent* license to be used as age verification for alcohol purchases. Laws 2014, Chapter 253 § 26 classifies licenses from Washington, D.C., and any territory of the U.S. as acceptable forms of identification.

There is no anticipated fiscal impact to the state General Fund associated with this legislation.

Provisions

1. Removes the prohibition on liquor sales to a person with an unexpired out-of-state driver license issued before a person's 21st birthday and used 30 days after the person turns 21.
2. Allows a person to use as age verification for alcohol sales a license that is substantially equivalent to an Arizona driver license issued by any other state, the District of Columbia or a territory of the U.S. or Canada.
3. Makes technical and conforming changes.
4. Contains emergency measure clause.

Revision

- Corrects effective date.

House Action

JUD            1/27/16    DP    6-0-0-0  
3<sup>rd</sup> Read      2/08/16    DPA   46-10-4-0

Senate Action

CWD           3/7/16    DP    5-1-3-0  
3<sup>rd</sup> Read      3/28/16    DPA   25-2-3-0

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