

HB 2599 -- ALCOHOL SALES

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The bill allows advertising for discount sales of intoxicating liquor so long as the cost is paid by a retailer and no advertisement states that the retail price is below the retailer's cost. The Department of Public Safety is instructed to consider the requirements of the First and Twenty-First Amendments to the federal constitution when promulgating a rule or regulation that is discretionary and not explicitly required by statute, or when deciding whether to repeal a rule or regulation where that repeal is authorized by statute.

The bill also specifies rules for the lease of refrigeration units by brewers to retail sales establishments.

Furthermore, the bill allows any person who is licensed to sell intoxicating liquor in the original package at retail under Section 311.200, RSMo, may sell between 32 to 128 ounces of draft beer to customers in refillable containers, such as growlers, for consumption off the retail premises. Such containers must be filled by an employee of the retailer on the premises. Specifications for the labeling and sealing of the containers, compliance with federal law, and health and safety regulations for filling and refilling containers are specified in the bill.

This bill is similar to HB 1856 (2016).