

HB 63 -- INTOXICATING LIQUOR

SPONSOR: Pike

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on General Laws by a vote of 12 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules- Legislative Oversight by a vote of 9 to 0.

This bill adds powdered alcohol to the definition of intoxicating liquor used in state liquor control laws.

This bill is the same as HB 1285 (2020) and similar to HB 65 (2019).

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that powdered alcohol presents unique medical risks because it is more heavily concentrated and not absorbed the same way as liquid alcohol. Proponents also worry that teens can readily conceal and abuse powdered alcohol.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Pike; SSM Health; and the Missouri College of Emergency Physicians.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.