

HB 1615 -- LIQUOR LICENSE FOR WATERCRAFT

SPONSOR: Fitzpatrick

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Committee on General Laws by a vote of 13 to 0.

Currently, a person can apply for a liquor license to sell intoxicating liquor by the drink at retail for consumption on a boat or other watercraft vessel licensed to carry 100 or more passengers. This bill reduces the number of passengers to 30 or more and removes the restriction of operating a boat or vessel only on Table Rock Lake when the number of passengers is 45 to 99.

PROponents: Supporters say that this bill will decrease the likelihood of individuals drinking and operating private boats and will boost business and jobs in Missouri.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Fitzpatrick.

OPponents: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.