

SB 689 -- DEFINITION OF MALT LIQUOR PACKAGING

SPONSOR: Schmitt (Gosen)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass by Consent" by the Committee on General Laws by a vote of 12 to 0.

This bill changes the definition of "original package" of malt liquor for liquor licensing purposes to include cans and pouches.

The bill becomes effective January 1, 2015.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the bill benefits small businesses, consumers, and producers.

Testifying for the bill were Senator Schmitt; Anheuser Busch; Missouri Petroleum Marketers and Convenience Store Association; and Missouri Retailers Association.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.