

HB 65 -- INTOXICATING LIQUOR

SPONSOR: Pike

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on General Laws by a vote of 10 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules- Legislative Oversight by a vote of 8 to 0.

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

This bill is similar to HB 1248 (2018).

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the bill will help prevent alcohol abuse and poisoning in children and young adults. This product can be consumed in various ways and is in need of regulation similar to liquid alcohol products. Many other states regulate powdered alcohol in a similar manner.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Pike; Missouri Police Chiefs Association; Missouri College of Emergency Physicians; and Missouri State Teachers Association.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.