HB 1443 -- SUPERVISED ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION BY CERTAIN PERSONS

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Currently, a licensed establishment that sells, vends, gives away, or otherwise supplies intoxicating liquor to a person under the age of 21 is guilty of a misdemeanor.

This bill allows an establishment to serve intoxicating liquor to a person between the ages of 18 and 21 if the person is in the presence of, accompanied by, or supervised by his or her parent, guardian, or spouse who is themselves 21 years of age or older.

The bill also gives a licensed establishment a defense to prosecution from misdemeanor charges if the establishment sold the intoxicating liquor to the minor with reasonable cause to believe that the minor was in the presence of, accompanied by, or supervised by a parent, guardian, or spouse who is themselves 21 years of age of older.