



IOWA HOUSE DEMOCRATS

BILL SUMMARY

Personal Importation SF 2347

Status of Bill: House Calendar

Committee: State Government (23-0, Senate 49-1)

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Background

Although rarely enforced it is currently illegal for Iowans to bring beer and other types of alcohol that were purchased out of state into Iowa for personal consumption.

Summary

The legislation sets limits for the amount of alcohol that can be brought in from out-of-state for personal consumption.

- Alcoholic Liquor limit is set at 9 liters per month.
- Beer is set at 4 and ½ gallons per month.
- Wine is capped at 9 liters per month.

The administrator of the Alcoholic Beverages Division (ABD) is required to develop rules to provide a waiver of these limits if the request for the waiver was made by someone who lived outside the state within 1 year of the request.

The bill also changes the bootlegging law to remove the penalty for the intention of dispensing of selling alcohol as a gift. The bill also changes the penalties for someone guilty of bootlegging to an aggravated misdemeanor and for someone under the legal age to a serious misdemeanor.

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