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S.B. No. 650

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to requiring the use of electronically readable
3 information to verify a purchaser's age in the retail sale of
4 alcoholic beverages.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

6 SECTION 1. Section 109.61, Alcoholic Beverage Code, is
7 amended by adding Subsections (a-1) and (a-2) to read as follows:

8 (a-1) A person shall access electronically readable
9 information on a driver's license, commercial driver's license, or
10 identification certificate for the purpose of verifying a
11 purchaser's age in any retail sale of an alcoholic beverage.

12 (a-2) The commission may not take any disciplinary action
13 against the holder of a permit or license issued under this code for
14 a violation of Subsection (a-1) for the retail sale of an alcoholic
15 beverage made before September 1, 2027. This subsection expires
16 September 1, 2028.

17 SECTION 2. Not later than September 1, 2027, the Texas
18 Alcoholic Beverage Commission shall adopt rules to implement
19 Section 109.61(a-1), Alcoholic Beverage Code, as added by this Act.

20 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.