BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 2262 By: Goldman Licensing & Administrative Procedures Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Although a person is generally prohibited from possessing an open container of liquor or beer in a package store, interested parties report that package stores may obtain a tasting permit to allow the tasting of products in the store. H.B. 2262 seeks to address this inconsistency.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

H.B. 2262 repeals Section 22.10, Alcoholic Beverage Code, which prohibits a person from breaking or opening a container containing liquor or beer or possessing an opened container of liquor or beer on the premises of a package store.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2015.

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