

1-1 By: West S.B. No. 650
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed December 18, 2024; February 3, 2025,
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs;
1-4 March 18, 2025, reported adversely, with favorable Committee
1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; March 18, 2025,
1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7	COMMITTEE VOTE				
1-8		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-9	Hughes	X			
1-10	Paxton	X			
1-11	Bettencourt			X	
1-12	Birdwell	X			
1-13	Hall			X	
1-14	Hinojosa of Nueces	X			
1-15	Middleton	X			
1-16	Parker	X			
1-17	Perry			X	
1-18	Schwertner			X	
1-19	Zaffirini	X			

1-20 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 650 By: Hughes

1-21 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-22 AN ACT

1-23 relating to requiring the use of electronically readable
1-24 information to verify a purchaser's age in the retail sale of
1-25 alcoholic beverages.

1-26 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-27 SECTION 1. Section 109.61, Alcoholic Beverage Code, is
1-28 amended by adding Subsections (a-1) and (a-2) to read as follows:

1-29 (a-1) A person shall access electronically readable
1-30 information on a driver's license, commercial driver's license, or
1-31 identification certificate for the purpose of verifying a
1-32 purchaser's age in any retail sale of an alcoholic beverage. This
1-33 subsection does not apply to the retail sale of an alcoholic
1-34 beverage on the premises of the holder of a package store permit.

1-35 (a-2) The commission shall not take any disciplinary action
1-36 against the holder of a permit or license issued under this code for
1-37 a violation of Subsection (a-1) for the retail sale of an alcoholic
1-38 beverage made before September 1, 2027. This subsection expires
1-39 September 1, 2028.

1-40 SECTION 2. Not later than September 1, 2027, the Texas
1-41 Alcoholic Beverage Commission shall adopt rules to implement
1-42 Section 109.61(a-1), Alcoholic Beverage Code, as added by this Act.

1-43 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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