



# Ohio Legislative Service Commission

## Bill Analysis

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130th General Assembly  
(As Introduced)

**Reps.** Ramos, Rogers, Driehaus, Lundy, Henne, Phillips, Sheehy, R. Hagan, Reece, Slesnick, Becker, Wachtmann, Roegner, Blessing, Milkovich, J. Adams, Brenner, Blair, Antonio, Maag, Foley

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## BILL SUMMARY

### Alcohol content of beer

- Increases the legally permitted alcohol content of beer from 12% to 21%.
- Beginning on the bill's effective date, allows beer manufacturers located in Ohio to manufacture beer containing not more than 21% of alcohol by volume.
- Beginning one year after the bill's effective date, allows the sale and distribution in Ohio of beer containing not more than 21% of alcohol by volume.<sup>1</sup>

### Stimulants in beer

- Prohibits the inclusion of caffeine or other stimulants (including guarana, ginseng, or taurine) in beer containing more than 12% of alcohol by volume.
- Specifies that the prohibition does not apply to beer that has incidental amounts of caffeine from coffee, chocolate, or tea.<sup>2</sup>

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## HISTORY

### ACTION

### DATE

Introduced

12-18-13

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<sup>1</sup> R.C. 4301.01 and Sections 3 and 4.

<sup>2</sup> R.C. 4301.71.