

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

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# A Bill

Act 1807 of 2003  
HOUSE BILL 2447

5 By: Representative Bright  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO ALLOW PERSONS NINETEEN (19) YEARS OF  
10 AGE AND OLDER TO SERVE AND HANDLE ALCOHOLIC  
11 BEVERAGES AT ON-PREMISES CONSUMPTION OUTLETS  
12 WHERE FOOD SERVICE IS A PERMIT REQUIREMENT; AND  
13 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

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19 IS A PERMIT REQUIREMENT.  
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23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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25 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 3-3-204 is amended to read as follows:

26 3-3-204. Handling by minor.

27 (a) Except as provided in ~~subsection (b)~~ subsections (b) or (c) of  
28 this section, it shall be unlawful for any wholesaler, retailer, or  
29 transporter of alcoholic beverages to allow any employee or any other person  
30 under twenty-one (21) years of age to have anything whatsoever to do with the  
31 selling, transporting, or handling of alcoholic beverages.

32 (b) With the written consent of a parent or guardian, persons eighteen  
33 (18) years of age and older may:

34 (1) Sell or otherwise handle beer and cooking wines at retail  
35 grocery establishments; or

36 (2) Be employed by a licensed liquor wholesaler or licensed beer



1 wholesaler or by a licensed native winery to handle alcoholic beverages at  
2 the place of business of the licensed wholesaler or winery.

3 (c) Persons nineteen (19) years of age and older, with the written  
4 consent of a parent or guardian, may sell and handle alcoholic beverages at  
5 an establishment which is licensed for on-premises consumption of alcoholic  
6 beverages under §§ 3-9-202(8), 3-9-202(9), 3-9-301 or 3-9-501.

7 ~~(e)(1)~~(d)(1) Anyone violating the provisions of this section shall be  
8 guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined not less than ten  
9 dollars (\$10.00) nor more than one hundred dollars (\$100).

10 (2) The violation shall be grounds for suspension, cancellation,  
11 or revocation by the Director of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Division of  
12 any permit issued to the person by the director.

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14 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 3-9-236(12), listing unlawful practices on  
15 premises licensed by the Alcoholic Beverage Control Division, is amended to  
16 read as follows:

17 (12)(A) Employ any person less than twenty-one (21) years of age in  
18 the mixing or serving of alcoholic beverages.

19 (B) Provided, that any permittee that has obtained a permit  
20 under the provisions of § 3-9-202(8) or § 3-9-202(9) may employ persons  
21 nineteen (19) years of age or older in the serving of alcoholic beverages.

22 (C) Nothing herein shall prohibit a minor eighteen (18) years of  
23 age or older to be employed as a musician, or to be employed in the  
24 preparation or serving of food, or in the housekeeping department of any  
25 establishment authorized to dispense mixed drinks under this subchapter;

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27 /s/ Bright

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30 **APPROVED: BECAME LAW ON 5/6/2003, THIS BILL HAVING REMAINED WITH THE**  
31 **GOVERNOR 20 DAYS AFTER ADJOURNMENT HAS BECOME LAW.**

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